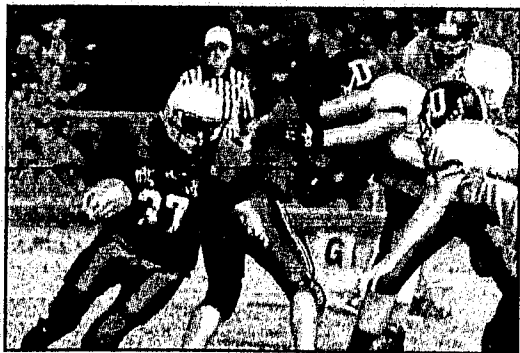




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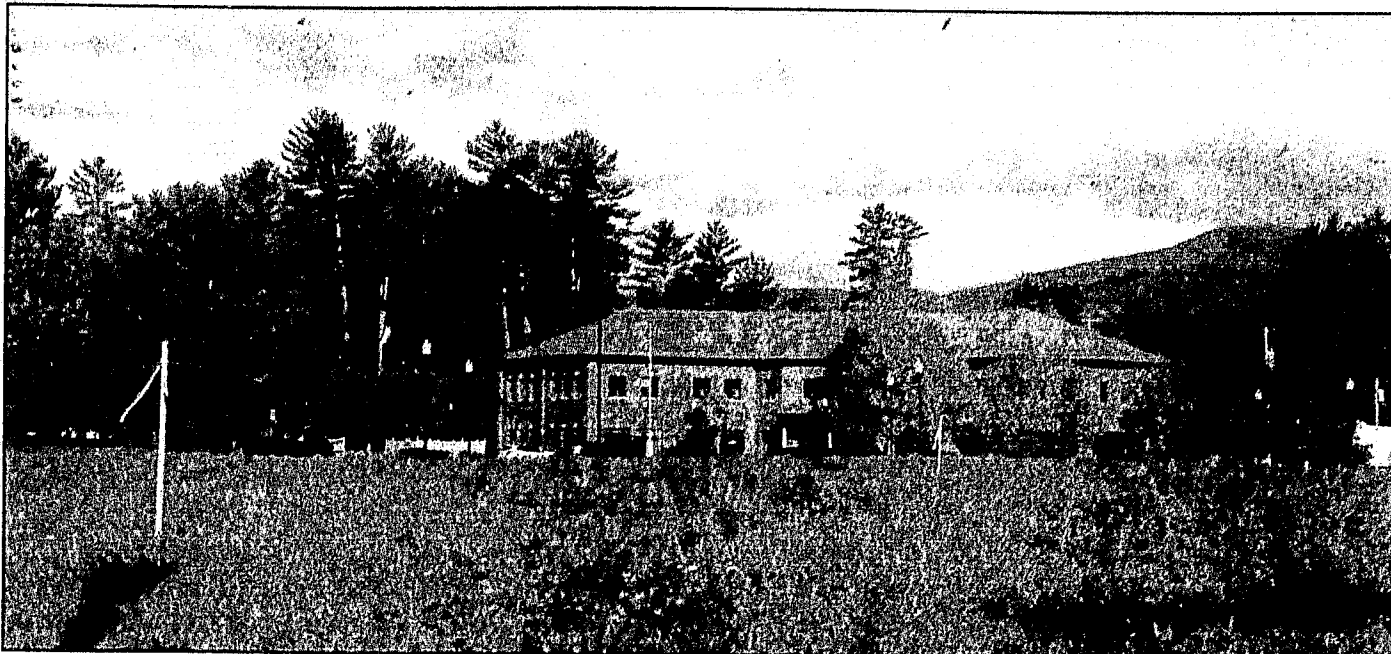
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UNDER CONTRACT - The "snowman lot" at Bethel Station is under contract for purchase, according to realtor Tony Donovan of KW Commercial. Donovan declined to disclose details at this time. The 4.5-acre lot, owned by Bethel Station Ltd., is currently undergoing Phase 1 and Phase 2 DEP environmental analysis, Donovan said, with findings expected within two weeks. "There used to be a town garage on the property and they had underground gasoline storage tanks, he said. "The 1994 development removed them, but DEP standards have changed so they need to check again. The analysis is based only on prior uses. There most likely are no issues, as the development received full DEP approval in 1994." The stakes in the photo represent boring/test pit locations. The lot, known informally as "Festival Plaza," has in the past been the site of two world-record size snowmen, as well as other snow and ice sculpture projects organized by the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce. In recent years, Telstar High School has used it as the site of a Homecoming Weekend bonfire.

A. Aloisio

Mt. Abram plans major trail expansion

Mt. Abram has submitted plans to the Department of Environmental Protection for the largest trail expansion seen on the mountain since the late 1970s, according to a press release.

The permitting process is expected to be completed within the next two weeks, in time for the fall construction season.

"Since the summer of 2013, we have been aggressive-

ly focusing on ways to improve the ski and snowboard experience, making sure the mountain is keeping up with the evolution in the way people ski and snowboard the mountain," said General Manager Dave Scanlon. "The trail expansion achieves a way to improve everyone's skiing and riding experience, from first time skiers and snowboard-

ers, to intermediate riders, to racers, to expert riders that enjoy high speed skiing and riding through gladed off piste ski terrain. Last summer's snowmaking expansion ensured that we can put snow on the mountain quickly and efficiently, while this summer's focus has been on improving the way skiers navigate and utilize the mountain."

Scanlon said the main catalyst of the entire trail ex-

pansion project was the establishment of a dedicated ski racing venue, "that will alleviate weekend traffic and congestion caused by race training around the Main Mountain, the base lodge and the loading area of the Wayback Chair Lift; or locally known as C1. Creation of this new dedicated race trail will allow Mt.

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School Board plans to broaden transparency

BY AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

Using the section of its policy manual that addresses community relations as a starting point, the SAD 44 School Board will work to draft a more comprehensive district policy to address the issue of transparency to the public.

At the July 13 meeting, Greenwood director Norman Millard requested that an item be added to the agenda, directing the Policy Committee to prepare a draft policy regarding transparency, and to bring it before the full board at their next meeting.

The item was amended to state that, should the committee be unable to draft such a policy by that time, it would report to the board on its progress.

Murphy told the board at last week's meeting that he had contacted the Maine School Management Association for their recommendations about a transpar-

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SAD 44 eyes land behind THS

BY AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

For decades, Telstar has had the use of 35 to 40 acres of property behind the school for its cross-country, ski and track teams. The school has maintained a network of trails there.

But, Supt. Dave Murphy said last week, "If the property is purchased by someone other than SAD 44, it is possible that we could lose access to that property. We have been fortunate that the current owners have allowed our programs to have use of their property for many years."

At its meeting last week the School Board voted unanimously to approve the expenditure of up to \$1,400 to conduct land and timber appraisals on the

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Bethel Planning Board passes on reviewing trail project

BY ALISON ALOISIO

The Bethel Planning Board voted last week that the recreational trail project on Bethel Water District land, adjacent to the Bingham Forest, does not need approval from the board.

Selectmen had asked the board to decide on whether it should formally review the project. They have heard concerns about the trails

project from residents on the Daisy Bryant Road, which is currently the only access to the trails under construction on BWD land and also to the Bingham Forest, where other trails are planned for the future. The road residents have expressed worries about safety and privacy on the one-lane, dirt road, and their questions over the town's easement to use the road are expected to prompt

a court case. For that reason, work on the trails was halted about a month ago.

The Planning Board members, referring to a section of town ordinance, discussed at their meeting whether the code should apply to the project. Much of their focus was on small wooden bridges to be used for stream crossings.

The key definition: "New construction shall occur when new or different mate-

rial is used to build, rebuild, construct or erect a structure on a new or existing foundation or concrete pad or on the ground or to excavate, fill, grade or otherwise prepare land for recreational uses."

Planner Cheri Thurston expressed concern that she has not seen the site, and information about the bridges

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Whatever church's fate, Woodstock hopes to use granite foundation slabs

BY ALISON ALOISIO

Woodstock officials will continue to explore options for the town's Union Church building, after learning Tuesday that Maine Mountain Post & Beam of Frye-

burg cannot take on a project to move the building, at least immediately.

But regardless of the ultimate fate of the 1856 building, said Town Manager Vern Maxfield, the granite stones

of the structure's foundation will likely be transformed into benches to be used in or near the cemetery across the street.

The church, located at the intersection of Route 26 and Andrews Road in South Woodstock, has not been used for years and residents voted at Town Meeting this year to try to sell it, on stipulation that it be moved off the lot, or otherwise take it down.

But there were no takers. A late connection with MMP&B revealed the building does not include post and beam construction, and that if it is an 1850s building, it was rebuilt at some point because the roof was 1880 or

more recent, said Maxfield. The foundation is in good shape, he said.

MMP&B specializes in disassembling old buildings and relocating them. Maxfield said that Scott Campbell, owner of the business, said he was interested in the building but is currently too busy to do the project.

Selectman Ron Deegan, noting that the town does not have a specific timeline to decide on the church, wondered if Campbell might be able to "put it on a list for next year."

"He said that's an option," said Maxfield.

Maxfield also said Camp-

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STEPPING OFF INTO A NEW SCHOOL YEAR-First-grader Sawyer Coffin gets off the bus on the first day of school Tuesday at the Woodstock Elementary School. The youngsters headed to the gym/cafeteria as they arrived to greet staff members and fill out paperwork - as well as show off new backpacks, sneakers, and teeth (or lack thereof). Teaching Principal Jolene Littlehale said this year's incoming class of kindergarteners is larger than the past couple of years, at 19. Said Supt. Dave Murphy of the kickoff of the school year, "I am very pleased to report that we had a very smooth opening across the district today. Most of our schools also saw an increase in their enrollments over the summer."

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Letters

ENOUGH ABOUT UNFAIR TAX DISTRIBUTION

To the Editor:

The families of the "25" Newry students referenced in the Aug. 20 Letter to the Editor are not solely paying \$2.9 million for Newry's portion of the school budget. Last I knew the bulk of properties in Newry are owned by out-of-town people who don't have and are not allowed students in the district because they are not "residents."

What's really unfair is those taxpayers don't have any say in how the tax revenues are spent, yet they pay the same rate as Newry residents. Let's see, taxation with no representation, wasn't there a war initiated somewhere for this similar reason?

The problem could easily be resolved by not taxing out of town people the "school" portion of the property tax bill, then Newry tax payers would only pay the share representative of the 25 students.

If you really want to make taxation fair, all taxpayers should have a say in how tax monies are spent, not just primary residents.

David Newcomb
Nashua, N.H. and Greenwood

"PIE NIGHT" THANKS

To the Editor:

The Trustees of the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library wish to extend their deepest gratitude to all of the supporters of "Pie Night" to benefit the Andy Barlow Project. Over 150 people were in attendance. Total funds raised that evening were in excess of \$7,000! Friends, family and members of the surrounding communities came from far and wide to enjoy the delicious pies and gave generously toward furnishings for Andy's new home in Hanover, which is expected to be completed before the coming winter. A special thank you goes out to Mr. Howard Bailey who has stepped forward as general contractor, volunteering his services to build the home, and to all of the vendors and subcontractors who, likewise, are donating labor, equipment and supplies to make the dream a reality. Your outpouring of support was overwhelming. If you missed the Pie Night there is still time to make a donation by visiting TheAndyProject.com. Thank you!

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library Trustees
Hanover

BONNIE POOLEY NOMINATED

To the Editor:

We need your help. Bonnie Pooley, who has tirelessly served many nonprofit organizations in Bethel, has been nominated for the Natural Resources Council of Maine People's Choice award. Bonnie has effectively worked for many years while teaching at Gould and after retiring, to make Bethel a better community. She is truly deserving of this recognition.

We ask that, before Sept. 7, you Google NRCM. Then click on the heading "Happenings." Under "Happenings" click on "NRCM People's Choice Award." Bonnie's name is the last one on the list of nominees. Read all about her and then please vote for her.

Each member in a family may vote but only one vote per person. After you have voted, please ask all of your friends to vote. We need all the help we can muster since the other candidates are from more populous areas.

Thank you for supporting Bonnie.

Bob Iles
Bethel

TELSTAR CLASS OF 1970 REUNION

To the Editor:

The class of 1970 is holding its 45th reunion on Saturday, Sept. 12.

Andre and Flossie Bernier are hosting the event at their home on Sierra Drive in Rumford. Show up around 2 p.m., and bring a chair, beverage, and a dish to share. We hope to see many classmates there!

Any questions, please contact Linda Stowell via e-mail at lstownell@roadrunner.com or the Berniers at stumpyl22550@gmail.com.

Linda Stowell
Woodstock

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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OPEN INVITATION TO RALLY FOR RAIL

To the Editor:

Thursday evening, Sept. 24, from 5 to 8 p.m., at the Hilton Garden Inn in Auburn, business and municipal leaders from western Maine will be gathered at the Northern New England Rally for Passenger Rail. All citizens who are interested in the future of communities in western Maine and Coos County of New Hampshire are invited to attend. The cost to attend the Rail Rally is \$25 and includes dinner and networking.

There was significant interest in passenger rail during this past legislative session with specific focus on the line from Portland to Lewiston and Auburn (Danville Junction). The time is right to continue advocating for investments in rail with the goal of bringing passenger rail, and the economic development that will accompany it, to western Maine. As municipal and business leaders, your voice of support is needed!

Speakers at the event include Patricia Quinn, Executive Director of the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority; Peter Morelli, former town planner and development director for Saco, who will share his experience with advocacy and the community investment required to become a stop on the Amtrak Downeaster. Mr. Morelli will also speak about the positive impact the rail and the station has had on the Saco area's economy; and Representative Jared Golden of Lewiston. Legislation that provides funding to complete a service plan for implementation of passenger rail service between Lewiston and Auburn and the Amtrak Downeaster service was sponsored by Representative Golden and approved by the Maine Legislature. "The format will encourage open participation and allow for plenty of time for questions of the panelists and members of the AOCC," offered Robin Zinchuk, Executive Director of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce and a long-time advocate of passenger rail into western Maine and beyond to Montreal. "Let's picture the rail lines as we are now viewing our rivers! Visualize the new commerce that could be realized! At one point – not too many years ago when our rivers were polluted – our communities turned their backs on them. Now that they are cleaner, businesses are gravitating and community assets are being developed along the waterfronts. In a similar vein, we should be developing new thinking about the economic and community benefits derived from commerce created along, and adjacent to, the rail lines. Only then can we view expenditures that federal, state, and local governments strategically make on rail as investments in our future."

The rally is hosted by the Androscoggin, Oxford and Coos Counties Rail Coalition, which is a consortium of western Maine towns and businesses working to re-establish passenger rail service between Boston and Montreal via western Maine and eastern New Hampshire.

To register go to this link: <http://wmedc.org/our-services/events/northern-new-england-rally-for-passenger-rail/>. The deadline for registering is Sept. 14. Alternative to registering online is to send a check made out to Community Concepts Finance Corporation and send it to 17 Market Square, South Paris, Maine 04281, attn.: Mia Purcell.

Robin Zinchuk
Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

From the Bethel Town Manager's Office

BY CHRISTINE M. LANDES

As always, it is my pleasure to provide this biweekly column for the citizens of Bethel. Hopefully, by the time you read this, concrete pads will have been poured at the Transfer Station. The Public Works crew has been working very hard to make the site level and ready for placement of the containers. Pine Tree Recycling will be on site for two weeks to help educate each of us about zero sort/single stream recycling. Those of us from Bethel, Newry, and Hanover, that have been coordinating all the efforts, are super excited this is becoming a reality. We also just learned that Oxford County Regional Recycling will reimburse us the cost of one can. That was a pleasant surprise and very beneficial for the projects budget.

Smith Farm Bridge is now under full construction. Jim Sysko and Andre Bernier have been working hard under the bridge preparing it for a new deck. Please make sure if you are in the area you stop by and take a look.

On Sept. 9, the Board of Assessors will set the tax rate. This is a complicated process that looks at the total town expenses, total revenue including tax exemptions reimbursable by the state, school tax expenses and county tax. The Assessors will request an overlay amount and then with a few calculations, the tax rate will be set. I would expect tax bills to be out by the end of September.

The Board of Selectmen recently approved a committee (three individuals) to work on the fee schedule for the Wastewater Plant and any other pertinent issues. The first meeting will be Sept. 16, 2015 at 6 p.m. here at the Town Office. As always this is a public meeting and all are invited to sit in and see the process.

Also, the Ordinance Review Committee took the month of August off, so they are on schedule to start meeting again starting Sept. 23, 2015 at 6 p.m. If anyone has suggestions of proposed changes to code, please do not hesitate to forward them to my office.

If there is anything I, or the employees of the town, can do for you please do not hesitate to contact us. We are here for you.

The Bethel Journals

Bethel Telephone and the Van Den Kerckhoven Family



Left, Van telephone office and home on Elm Street. Right, Alphonse Van in 1931.

BY DONALD G. BENNETT

1968 is known for the Tet Offensive in Vietnam, North Korean capture of the USS Pueblo and the year that the Van family sold their telephone company after being "the Bethel phone company" for 62 years. Even today when you dial a Bethel number beginning with 824 you are still in the Van family era because the 82 = Vandyke, 8 = V and 2 = A) the exchange name used before all digit dialing.

Individual families strung Bethel's early telephone "networks" or farmer lines. In fact Bethel had some private lines before the U.S. Capitol was wired. 1897 Telephone lines from the Capitol to the new Library of Congress Building were run as well as internal lines for the Library of Congress Building. A year later, Mrs. Harriett Daley became the first Capitol switchboard operator.

Bethel weekly news December 1889 reported: William E. and Julius P. Skillings have just completed a telephone line from their mills to the depot. There are quite a number of these lines in our village and more are being considered.

Skip forward to 1895 and the news reported in May—West Bethel reported that we are to have a telephone line run through this village from Berlin Falls, N.H. to South Paris.

A month later, June 1895, there are already fifteen subscribers to the New England Telephone Co. in Bethel village and telephone company workmen were setting poles in the village Friday and Saturday.

In 1903, Alphonse and Emma Van Den Kerckhoven of Bethel, had the town's first switchboard installed on the second floor (much later it was the town managers' office) of the Odeon Hall building on Main Street. In 1906 the Vans organized the Van Tel & Tel Co. ran it until 1921.

Originally there were just 10 telephones, all located right in the village. Then, as time passed, farmer lines began to spring up and these too were connected to the

Van company switch-board.

Each farmer line was an incorporated company. The three companies which were provided with toll connections through the Bethel exchange were the Bethel Local Telephone and Telegraph Company, the Mason and Grover Hill Telephone and Telegraph Company and the Mount Abram Telephone and Telegraph Company. The Van Company charged two cents to connect a call from one farmer line to another through its switchboard. Another company, the Albany Telephone Company, was also connected to the Bethel exchange, but only for local calls.

The Bethel switchboard at first was only tended during the day but, in 1912, it was moved across the street to a small office beside Elmer Young's harness shop, now Bob Laux parking lot. The switchboard was tended in the daytime by numerous local women, including Miss Alice French, Miss Mona Martin, and Miss Ida Packard. The operators, (wearing high-collared shirt waists, floor-length black skirts, and "pugs" of hair on the back of their heads), sat at a high switchboard with a transmitter suspended in front of them and were separated from the public by a small wooden fence that crossed the floor. Long distance calls could be managed between the hours of 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Daniel R. Smith* was the first night operator and he also served as lineman for the telephone company and for several of the farmer lines in which he held stock.

In 1921, with business growing, Al and Emma Van incorporated as Van Telephone and Telegraph Co. All of the stock was held by themselves; and by members of their family, including their four children, Eugene, Louis, Grace and Lucia. Also that year the Vans built a new home on Elm Street. An ell became the telephone office when the original single-position switchboard was moved from the cobler's shop.

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Our Back Pages

BY DANNA BROWN NICKERSON

10 years ago: The new Bethel Water district main under the Androscoggin was successfully brought on line, and the conservation order for village area customers was lifted.

The Yet-to-be-Named Banjo Club played at Northeast Bank's Customer Appreciation Day.

Deaths: Rena L.W. Curtis, William Hastings, Sr., Kayla A. Cox, Harold Blaisdell, Sr., Lester O. White, Kenneth W. Burrill.

20 years ago: John Hickson, golf instructor and assistant pro and the Bethel Inn & Country Club, won the New England PGA Championship in North Kingston, R.I.

The Mahoosuc Land Trust purchased the 14-acre parcel of land between Route 26 and the Intervale Road for \$60,000.

Deaths: Hunter E. Chase, Dr. William H. Dunton, Norma R. Jodrey, Glendon G. Calef.

30 years ago: The Greenwood Historical Society sponsored an old time dance at the town hall.

Michelle Anne Cummings and Tammy Bates were among the 10 contestants competing for the title of Miss Oxford County Fair.

Births: Lauren Jessica Hart, Keith Allen Walley.

Deaths: Mrs. Ruth L. Wilkinson, Lawson R. Veinot.

40 years ago: Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Davis and family of Rumford moved into their new home on Evergreen Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Ring were guests of honor at a 45th wedding anniversary open house party planned by their son, daughter and families.

Birth: Thomas James Newell.

Deaths: Lester C. Bickford, Mrs. Bessie Harvey, Mrs. Mabel B. Anderson.

50 years ago: New teachers joining the staff at Crescent Park School were Mrs. John Tebbets, reading and literature in grades 7 and 8, and Leonel L'Heureux, science in grades 7 and 8.

Millard Clough was painting Edmund Smith's dwelling house at Wydeacre Farm.

Births: Karl Barth, Sally Ann Thompson, Dora Christene Morton, Tammy Beryl Waisanen.

Deaths: Robert C. Cary, Mrs. Angeline Mann, Mrs. Selja Maki.

60 years ago: Miss Mina Stevens and Mrs. Marah Webster moved into the house they had recently purchased on Vernon Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Davis and family moved into their new home on Evergreen Road on Labor Day.

Births: Kathryn Jean Lurvey, Heidi Marie Davis, Daryl Robert Brown.

70 years ago: Mr. and Mrs. Robert York bought the equipment in Bethel Restaurant preparatory to continuing the business.

Albert Cotton purchased the store, restaurant and building of Farwell and Wight and took possession.

Deaths: Thomas Heikkinen, Charles Sprague.

80 years ago: New signs were erected at the junction of routes 2 and 26 at the foot of Church Street.

J.B. Chapman bought the I.H. Wight residence and moved there.

Deaths: Mrs. Lena Wilson Seldon, Albert Scott Frank, Mrs. Anna K. Cummings.

90 years ago: Forrest Stowell entered Farmington Normal School.

The new primary school building [Ethel Bisbee School] was ready for occupancy.

The home of H.W. Kessell, West Bethel, was destroyed by fire.

Death: Miss Julia Carter.

110 years ago: About 20 parishioners of the Bethel M.E. church attended the camp meeting at East Poland.

The Albany Telephone Co. completed its line from Bethel to North Waterford.

Deaths: Major Gideon A. Hastings, Mr. T.J. Foster.

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Transparency

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ency policy.

"The recommendation that they had was to go back to your Policy KA and look for ways that you can strengthen that by addressing issues within it to broaden the transparency piece," he said.

Policy KA states, in part, that it is the responsibility of the School Board to "provide community members with information, clear explanations of District and Board activity, and opportunities for active participation in the programs of the schools."

Among other directives pertaining to community relations, Policy KA states that the board and the district will strive to "ensure that the public within the District has full access to information concerning programs and policies which concern them" and to "monitor and consider the public reaction to the policies and programs conducted by the District."

To achieve these objectives, the policy states that school directors and district staff will "make systematic, honest and continuing efforts to discover what the public thinks and what citizens want to know and to provide clear information concerning and interpretation of school programs, problems and accomplishments."

"So what we did is we took [Policy] KA, looked at the way it is now, and began to have conversations about other components that might be added to it," Murphy said.

Policy Committee Chair Sheryl Morgan reported that, in addition to Policy KA, the committee had had several other policies to review at its last meeting.

They voted to table a detailed review of Policy KA in order to give committee members, as well as the full board, more time to study the policy.

Murphy said the Policy Committee had asked him to send a questionnaire to board members asking what they view as issues of transparency and what they would like to see added to the policy to strengthen it.

Newry Director Whitney Gray, who also serves on the Policy Committee, said she did not want the committee to feel rushed in its review and she hoped to get input from the full board.

"I appreciate the feedback from both of you, because it is an unbelievably important item," said Milliard, who was appointed to a newly combined Policy and Personnel Committee at last week's meeting.

"It's going to take us a little longer in order to accom-

plish something that will be productive in the long term."

Greenwood Director Larry Merlino recommended asking for feedback from parents about their satisfaction with the content of the SAD 44 website and other ways in which the district communicates with them.

He added that social media, like Facebook, provide new ways to address transparency.

Murphy agreed, adding that the district's Facebook page is updated several times a week.

2015-16 Committees
Board Chair Lainey Cross announced the following committee assignments for the upcoming year.

Education Committee: Frank DelDuca, Roberta Taylor, Marcel Polak.

Facilities Committee: Tim Carter, Julie Davis, Carol Everett.

Finance Committee: Larry Merlino, Bonnie Largess, Amy DeVivo.

Negotiations Committee: Julie Davis, Richard Melville, Lainey Cross.

Policy and Personnel Committee: Sheryl Morgan, Norman Milliard, Whitney Gray.

Cross said that following a discussion at last month's meeting of the need for a boardmanship workshop/retreat, she had been in touch with Duke Albanese of the Great Schools Partnership about the possibility of scheduling such a retreat.

The Great Schools Partnership is a non-profit school support organization whose website states that it "provides school coaching, professional development, and technical assistance to educators, schools, districts, organizations, and government agencies."

In the meantime, Cross said, attorney Melissa Hewey of the firm Drummond Woodsum, which represents SAD 44, will attend the next board meeting on September 14 to give a presentation on the roles and responsibilities of school board members in Maine.

"I'm hoping that this will be helpful to get us all on the same track and working as a team together again to set the best educational plan for our district," Cross said.

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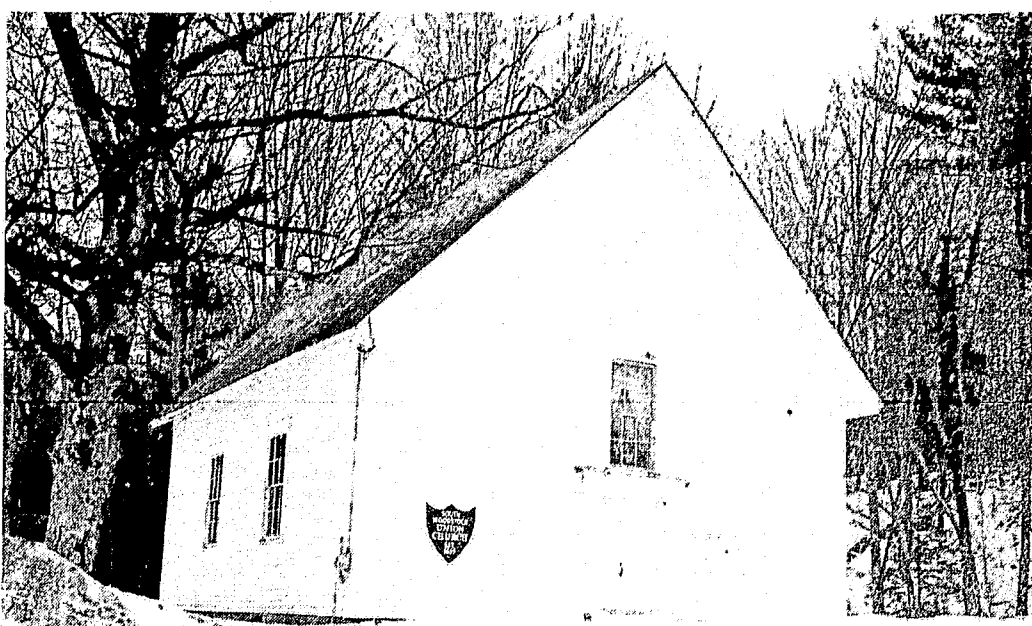
parcel. Following an executive session at the July 13 board meeting, directors had authorized the superintendent to research the property, to seek estimates for appraisals, and to report back to the board at its August meeting.

Murphy told directors last week he had spoken to Mary Benson at Benchmark Appraisal in Norway and had received an estimate of approximately \$800 for a full appraisal of the property.

That would not include an assessment of timber on the property, Murphy said

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The Union Church in South Woodstock.

File photo

bell has been in touch with companies in other parts of Maine that disassemble buildings and sell their parts for use in new construction.

Selectman Steve Bies said he knew that many people, including himself, "are just going to be really, really pained to see someone demolish that," and it would be better to at least see something good and "respectful" come of the old church.

Selectman Mike Nadeau said he liked the idea of the town using the granite foundation stones to create benches, perhaps to be used for committal services at the cemetery across the street. The church lot could be used for parking, with perhaps some garden areas planted, he said.

Nadeau, a contractor, said if the building were to be disassembled by volunteers, he would be willing to donate equipment for the effort.

Deegan said some of Nadeau's ideas have been discussed previously. "We never wanted to take it down," said Deegan.

Maxfield said he would contact Campbell regarding the options discussed Tuesday.

In other business at the meeting, Maxfield said two people have expressed interest in the open code enforcement officer's position. He said Travis Landes, who was initially hired for the job this summer, has resigned to pursue his own business.

The board also approved a contract drawn up by Fire Chief Kyle Hopps for new

EMTs who enroll in training courses. In the past the town has paid them for training, their time and travel expenses, and asked them to commit to work for the town for at least two years. But, said

Hopps, the costs have quickly added up, and under the new contract the town will pay for the class (\$895) but not time and mileage, and ask the EMTs to commit to the WFD for one year.

Trail

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Abram to offer more rented hill training space to accommodate the demand from high school and middle school race teams, while still allowing us to grow the Mt. Abram Race Training Program, but without compromising the quality of skiing for our loyal season pass holders and day ticket skiers. The new Mt. Abram race arena will also provide us with the ability to host more weekend races for all disciplines of the sport and ability levels, from middle school Slalom racers to college level Giant Slalom racers.

The second new trail is the expansion of the ski run Egomania, located beneath the Skyline Chair Lift on the West Side, according to the release.

"The purpose of this trail is to have enough area to expand our beginner terrain park without encroaching upon the other uses of this slope," Scanlan said. "Last season we added to the scope and size of our beginner ter-

rain park and the response was very positive however, it caused some unintended crowding for ski school lessons and other intermediate skiers looking to practice their turns on a steeper pitch before heading over to the Main Mountain. The new expanded Egomania will provide us with plenty of room for both intermediate skiers and ski lessons; thus allowing us to continue to bring more emphasis on terrain based learning, which utilizes small terrain park features to initiate turns and push skill progression while having the traditional table top jumps, rail slides, and hip jumps.

Mt. Abram also plans to establish a new advanced/expert trail on the mountain's upper west side; build a connector trail for the bottoms of several trails; improve intermediate access into Round About; and build a new, advanced trail between Rocky's Run and Round About. An expansion of the Dudley Terrain Park is also planned.

Trail

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was not clear to her, regarding both whether an excavator was being used in construction and how complex the bridges are. She said she wished a representative was present from Mahoosuc Pathways, the nonprofit that has been contracted to build the trails.

"I'm hearing there were just some logs over some streams, I'm also hearing there's some serious little bridges over some streams," said Thurston. "I think that's significantly different. It's the excavation piece ... It sounds to me like they are prepping the land for recreational use."

Selectman Don Bennett, who attended the meeting, has been to the site and shared his observations. "They are prepping the trails for recreational use," he said. "The excavator that's being used is maybe three feet wide."

He said when a section of trail was completed, it was "at best two feet wide ... a walking trail." The bridges, he said, are "a couple of 4-by-4 treated stringers with some cross pieces, to allow you to carry a bike across. I don't see the applicability. The only applicability would be new and different material, if you want to come down to argue if wood is wood, and if it's pressure treated it's different. That's the only argument I see in there."

Planning Board Chairman Mike Charron suggested, "When you're talking about excavation, don't get wrapped up on the excavator. This could be shovels and we wouldn't be having this discussion."

Also discussed briefly was potential parking in an existing wood lot parking area.

Charron asked Planning Assistant Sarah Tucker if other, similar projects had come to the board.

Tucker said the Mt. Will trail project, completed years ago, did not go to the board for review. "That is the most

comparable site," she said, noting it also has bridges and a parking area. She also said snowmobile trails are not reviewed by the board.

Thurston then said that deciding to review the BWD land project "would be very precedent setting. If we go forward with this, we're going to have to start reviewing snowmobile trails, Mt. Will trails, and where this area is so determined to build this brand, there would be a lot of that. It's a really important decision."

Charron was skeptical of any applicability. "I haven't heard anything or seen anything that would drive me to determine that this was applicable, the way it's being proposed."

Planner Charlene Chase made the motion that the ordinance definitions were not applicable to the project, and it was approved unanimously.

Charron said he understood that residents "have issues, and those issues are not about this project as a project. It's about other things that certainly should be addressed. But the Planning Board is not the place to address them."

Tucker said the board's decision could be appealed.

The 2,300-acre Bingham Forest land is located in Newry, but is owned by Bethel. Some in Newry believe the future work expected on that land should be reviewed by that town's Planning Board, should the road access issue be resolved in Bethel's favor.

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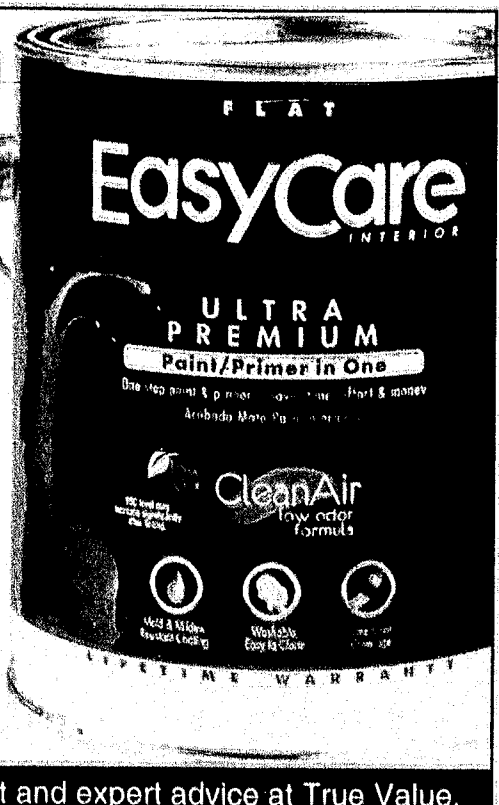
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he had consulted Sherman Small of New England Forestry Consultants, who said an appraisal of the timber value on both the adjacent parcel and the property already owned by the district would cost about \$600.

Murphy said the owners of the property had asked about a timeframe for the appraisals, and he would contact them to report that the board had approved the expenditure.

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Briefly

BikeMaine coming through Bethel

BETHEL-The BikeMaine seven-day cycling tour will come through Bethel Sept. 15. Proceeds from the ride will benefit local host communities and organizations, with additional support going to the Bicycle Coalition of Maine to make Maine better for bicycling. Overnight host communities include: Kittery, Old Orchard Beach, Bridgton, Bethel (two nights), Sweden, and Kennebunk. Ride participation is limited to 350 riders. The distance is 349 miles, with additional 15-mile loops on three days. For more information visit the BikeMaine website.

MMRT helps in Baxter hiker search

BETHEL-The Mahosuc Mountain Rescue Team continued its busy summer by assisting in last week's three-day search for hiker John Lyon, 78, of Virginia in Baxter State Park, according to team member Bob Baribeau of Bethel. Lyon became separated from his hiking party last Thursday when he went on ahead of them on a trail. They reported him missing late that day, and MMRT members made the trip to Baxter to help look beginning around noon on Friday. The team searched trails, including abandoned ones, while another large component of the search went on from the air, Baribeau said. Lyon was finally found safe early Sunday afternoon by a Maine Forest Service helicopter. Later on Sunday team members assisted a young female hiker who had minor injuries in walking down from a trail on Old Speck Mountain in Grafton.

Task force to fight heroin

PARISA newly formed task force in western Maine may be a point of light in the fight against heroin and other life-threatening drugs that have beleaguered the region in recent months. The Western Maine Addiction Task Force is a collaborative group of federal, state, local and county government officials, private organizations, community nonprofits and concerned citizens who all have a stake in the health and well-being of western Maine communities, according to a news release the Paris Police Department issued Monday, formally announcing the formation of the group. "(Heroin) has always been a problem, but it kind of really blew up within the last year," Paris Interim Police Chief Lt. Jeffrey Lange said. "It's been increasing steadily, especially with overdoses and deaths that are attributed to the drug." Lange is one of the primary organizers of the task force. He said the task force will tackle the heroin epidemic from several angles. "Right now, we have broken into sub-committee groups," Lange said. "We'll look at education and prevention pamphlets, different forms of legislative awareness to pursue, funding through grants and donations, addiction case management and drug courts." Most of all, the task force hopes to become a resource for people struggling with dangerous drug addictions. They will be meeting every other week, with its next meeting to be held at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 9, at the Paris Town Office. The task force will redirect police force attention from the drug addicts to the root of the problem — the drug dealers and traffickers — by offering drug addicts a venue for seeking help without fear of arrest or retribution. It will also offer families and friends of addicts a place to seek education and information and an anonymous tip hotline for reporting criminal activity in the area.

Town News

Bethel

By Donald G. Bennett



Gould Reception
Head of School Matt Ruby hosted a new school

year reception on Tuesday. In his welcome message he learned that Gould will have 255 students this year, a full house and there is a waiting list. Mr. Ruby said that Gould will literally have students from around the world. Also I learned that 15 Gould skiers

Suspected fatal heroin overdose in Bethel leads to Rumford arrest

BY SCOTT THISTLE,
SUN MEDIA

A Bethel man was found dead last week of a suspected heroin overdose and a Rumford man was arrested after drug agents discovered prepackaged heroin in his apartment on Oxford Avenue, according to a news release from Oxford County Sheriff Wayne Gallant.

Joseph Turner, 33, was found dead by family members last Tuesday morning at a West Bethel Road home.

Arrested and charged with Class A aggravated trafficking in heroin was Rashad Lavoie, 22 of Rumford. If convicted, he faces up to 30 years in prison.

Police responding to Turner's death found heroin, hypodermic needles and other evidence that his death may have been caused by an overdose, Gallant and Rumford Police Chief Stacey Carter said in a joint news release issued Thursday.

Agents from the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency also responded to the Bethel scene, and through their investigation identified Lavoie as the person suspected of selling the heroin to Turner, according to the release.

Gallant said police suspect the heroin Turner used was laced with fentanyl, which can be up to 50 times as potent as heroin. Fentanyl is often mixed with heroin or sold as a substitute to unsuspecting addicts.

"What we are finding in the area is a lot of heroin is mixed with fentanyl, which is causing a deadly effect, for sure," Gallant said.

He said police would continue the investigation and were awaiting autopsy and toxicology reports to see whether they could determine whether fentanyl was involved.

After a joint investigation between the MDEA and the Rumford Police Department, a search warrant for Lavoie's apartment at 26 Oxford Ave. was issued.

"Multiple packages of heroin, ready for distribution, along with bulk heroin were found in the apartment," Gallant and Carter said in the re-

lease. Lavoie's apartment is also in a "Drug-free" zone, elevating any possible charges.

In a related search at an apartment at 205 Cumberland Ave. in Rumford, police arrested Luis Rivera and Aisha Torres. Rivera was charged with obstructing government administration when he interfered with investigators and Torres with being in violation of conditions of release, Gallant said. Torres had been charged with operating under the influence, operating after license revocation and failure to stop for an officer on July 31.

One of the those suspects went unresponsive in a suspected overdose in the back of a police cruiser awaiting transport to the jail, Gallant said. He said that suspect had to be revived by para-

medics with the opioid antidote Narcan. At about the same time, police received word of another overdose in Bethel, Gallant said.

"We are believing that those could all be the same mix of heroin that caused the deadly effect in Bethel," Gallant said, "so we are continuing our investigation in hopes of trying to find out who exactly that was purchased from and who did the cutting and mixing of the fentanyl and why there was a deadly mixture because this case could go into more serious charges for other people down the road."

Police also discovered evidence of heroin use, including packaging material and hypodermic needles, inside Torres' apartment. Police said they found evidence that drugs had been flushed

down the toilet.

Torres and Rivera were arraigned and pleaded guilty Wednesday and were subsequently released for 24 hours' time served, according to the news release.

Lavoie's bail was set at \$5,000 and he was later taken to the Cumberland County Jail in Portland. Lavoie's criminal record includes misdemeanor convictions for assault and theft by unauthorized taking in 2013 and for hindering apprehension or prosecution in 2014.

Turner's death is the second in Bethel in the past two months that is being blamed on a heroin overdose.

On July 3 Joel Mills, 39, was found dead inside his home on Route 26.

Oxford County Sgt. Timothy

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Juno Award winner Old Man Luedecke at Bethel Church

New England Celtic Arts will present Nova Scotia's Old Man Luedecke as part of its Western Maine Music Week at Bethel Celtic Concerts with the Bethel United Methodist Church on Wednesday, Sept. 9; at North Church Concerts with the Farmington Historical Society in Farmington on Thursday, Sept. 10; at Phillips Community Center in Phillips on Friday, Sept. 11 with special guests T'Acadie; and at One Longfellow Square in Portland on Saturday, Sept. 12. Curtain in Bethel, Farmington, and Phillips is at 7 p.m. and in Portland at 7:30.

Western Maine Music Week, in its third year, will take place in six locations over a three day period from Sept. 9 to 11 in the mountains of Western Maine. The popular mini-festival features the small halls and venues that are the trade mark of NECA programming. A sense of community it at the heart of the festival and top quality sound is added to make the experience the best that it can be. The events will officially end on Friday night in Phillips with one of Maine's premier contra-dance bands T'Acadie and caller Bill Olson finishing up the evening. Old Man Luedecke will then continue on to Southern Maine for one engagement at One Longfellow Square in Portland.

Maritime banjo wielder Chris Luedecke is set to return to Maine as Old Man Luedecke with his sixth studio album "Domestic Eccentric."

Luedecke hails from Chester, Nova Scotia, and al-



Chris Luedecke will open his concert series on Thursday, Sept. 9 at the Bethel Methodist Church on Main Street. Submitted photo

though he has become a renowned, Juno-winning troubadour travelling the country with his tunes, the songwriter pays homage to home on the new record. The album was even recorded in his self-built backwoods cabin, along with producer and rootsy multi-instrumentalist Tim O'Brien.

"Tim is my favorite musician," Luedecke said in a statement, "and working with him in a duet environment in a cabin at home was a waking dream."

As for the subject matter of the new material, it explores the idea of domesticity and hears Luedecke waxing poetic on the experiences of himself as a young man who's been in love with the same woman for more than a decade, and the process of watching their babies grow into children. It's especially pertinent on opener and lead single "Yodelady" which has been in his live set since 2004. It was inspired by a woman he met in Dawson City, who has since become his wife, the mother of his children

and his muse. T'Acadie, (Pam Weeks, Bill Olson, and Jim Joseph), is a dance band and folk trio from Maine, part of the region including the Canadian Maritime provinces known as Acadia. (T'Acadie is slang for "a little Acadia"). This versatile group is equally at home playing for concerts, contra-dances, or Cajun dances. They will be performing in Phillips only.

The Bethel Celtic Concert is located at the United Methodist Church, 75 Main Street, Bethel. Tickets \$15, reservations at 207-824-2027. North Church is located at 118 High Street, Farmington. Tickets \$15, for reservations at North Church call: 207-778-2006. Phillips Community Center is at 21 Depot Street, Phillips. Tickets \$15 at the door. One Longfellow Square is located at 181 State Street in Portland. Tickets \$15. Call 207-761-1757 or go online at <https://onelongfellowsquare.com>. Reservations are strongly suggested at all locations. More info available at <http://www.necelticarts.com>.

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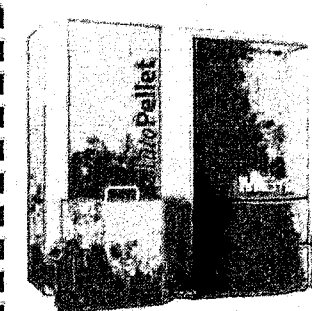
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The Way I See It

BY SHARON BOUCHARD

I am proud to tell you that I have a fan! Actually, I have two fans; a husband and wife. I'll just call them Merle and Gloria as I well should since those are their names.

Merle called me the other evening to tell me how much he and Gloria enjoy my column. Let me tell you that caused me to puff my sagging chest right up there. What a boost to my ego!

Merle said he especially enjoys it when I pick on my husband. Well, Henry is a great inspiration because he never reads my column and he's such an easy target.

For example, he asked me one day out of the blue, "Do you like fudge?" That may not seem like such a silly question, but we've been married for 45 years and I've made a million batches of fudge. Granted, sometimes you have to eat it with a spoon and sometimes a chisel is necessary, but be that as it may, I have made a million batches of fudge!

And, when we go to the fairs I don't go for cotton candy or fried dough; I zero in on the fudge like a guided missile. Henry knows this because he gets macaroni and cheese for a week after I break our budget buying fudge and yet he felt he had to ask me if I like it. Now I

ask you, how can I not write about a man like that?

I would imagine that since Merle and Gloria are fans that they have shared a chuckle over some of my diatribes about heat, humidity, clothing sticking to my body and prickly heat rash on my inner thighs.

But, since they are not in Maine during the winter they probably have not read about my senti-

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I write.*

ments on snow, sleet, ice and frigid cold. Here's a news flash for you Merle and Gloria; I hate winter and don't mind telling everyone about it. From the first snowflake to the last I am such a whiner.

I truly hate snow! I don't ski or ride a snowmobile. I haven't made a snow angle since I was six and even then I had to be forced into it. I drive with white knuckles all winter long and have to have someone pry my poor cold fingers from the steering wheel when I reach my destination.

I truly hate the cold too. It penetrates my aging

bones like a probe even through flannel pajamas, long johns and two pairs of socks. It sends me into a tizzy every time my oil-alcoholic furnace kicks on sending dollar signs up the chimney. I spend so much time in big boots and heavy socks that I hardly recognize my feet when summer finally arrives.

If I could hide myself in Merle and Gloria's suitcases when they head for a warmer climate I certainly would, but then what would I do about poor Henry???

I guess I've gotten a bit off track as my original point was about being thrilled to find out that I have a couple of fans and they even took the time to tell me so. It made my day!

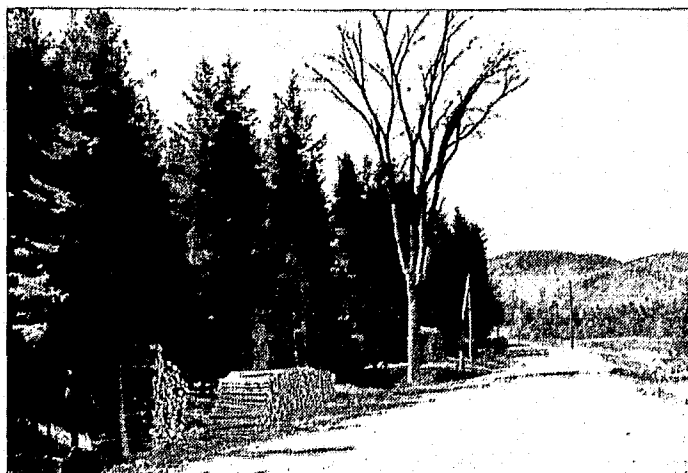
Since this newspaper has been publishing "The Way I See It" for many years I'm thinking there just might be a couple of more fans out there; I certainly hope so.

I write this column in the hopes of amusing readers as well as myself. If I can bring about a few smiles and laughs with my words and wacky way of looking at life then the way I see it that makes it worth every word I write and I thank Merle and Gloria and whoever else who might be a fan. You are the reason I write.

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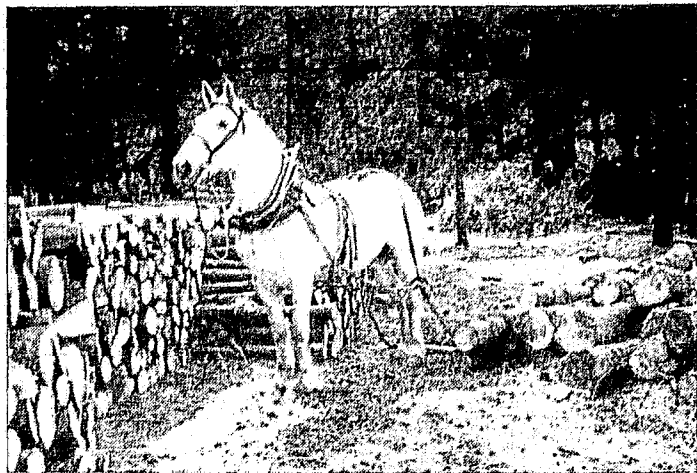
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Location on the road to Sunday River of the Swan and Howard logging operation.



A loggers' conference left, Benton Swan, center Sumner Burgess, right, Julian Howard.



Dan in harness on the job. Photos courtesy James and Marilyn Swan

spent two weeks training on snow in Chile this summer. Nine new faculty members introduced themselves. One is from China and will teach Mandarin and another new face in the faculty is from South Korea.

Yesterday's Chapman Farm driveway and mill road (circa 1840) is the Daisy Bryant Road today. According to a 1946 paper by William Valentine, Edmund (Horace) Chapman (1819-1863) had a saw and grist mill on Chapman Brook about a mile from the

river (including a road to his mill and homestead). There was a mill pond above the mill and it was fed by Chapman Brook.

Today remnants and remains of the old mills and mill house are still visible on the property belonging to Kevin Trinward and Vernon and Tamara Davis.

In 1875 the mill had steam power and was a clothespin factory. From 1878-1881 there was a steam operated spool strip saw mill a little further down the stream from the older mill. Presumably

the Chapman Farm road (in 1880 Mrs. Goddard owned the Chapman farm) connected the mills and farm with the main Bethel-Gilead road generally where the North Road is today. Mrs. Goddard was Edmund Horace's widow who later married a Goddard.

Bethel's 1880 map shows an S.M. a symbol for either saw mill or steam mill as well as the farm road to the former Chapman farm (in 1880 Goddard) and the T.G. Chapman farm.

In 1890 the Bethel Water Company built a reservoir above the farm and mill site and laid water pipe to Bethel village. The water reservoir was situated in natural basin of solid rock so that the dam 60 feet long and 10 feet high could satisfy all the village water requirements. But to reach the water company's reservoir required the water company to extend the existing farm road/driveway further uphill from the farm/mill yard. This extension was used to reach the reservoir and probably logging from time to time. So after 1890 the Chapman farm road became a two purpose road.

From time to time other homes may have been located along this road making it their driveway but the buildings do not show on the 1968 map.

So the road now called Daisy Bryant Road has been there since probably the 1840's but it was more a driveway connecting farm buildings or mill with the road between Bethel and Gilead until it was used to access the reservoir by the Bethel Water Company.

In 1908 town ownership of the road seems to have been discontinued. It appears that for many years after 1908 Daisy Bryant owned the land through which the road ran. Later her son Myron owned the land which was later deeded to Myron's son Richard. The Bethel Water Company maintained access to its reservoir via this road and the water pipe beneath it. Daisy Bryant died in 1965. There are 12 land owners through which the road passes today.

Benton Swan - Bethel's trapper, logger, farmer, Maine Guide

With the 39th Trappers Weekend only a week old, let's look at what Benton Swan (1911-1996) did trapping; he has the distinction of being a Bethel trapper of note and much, much more. Photos of Benton's trapping successes are courtesy of James and Marilyn Swan.

Benton Swan retired from Roberts Poultry Farm in 1980 after working with Stan Roberts for over 20 years. He was a local farmer and logger - part two is about a logging job he completed with his favorite horse Dan. For many years Benton hayed Ruth Crosby's field a mile up the river from the Swan farm. He was also noted for feeding deer for over 30 years on the Swan homestead.

Three years after Benton's death the Swan/Locke house burned on a Sunday night the 3rd of October, 1999. The house was a three dimensional symbol of the Swan and Samuel Locke families. Ellen Locke was the last member of that family to reside there; she died in 1913. Bion Swan, Benton's father lived there until he passed away in 1957.

Samuel Locke is probably best remembered as the builder of the original Locke mills in the town of Greenwood - creating the village of Locke's Mills. In 1797 Samuel Barron Locke (1767-1840), born in Ashby, Mass., settled his family in North Bethel about a one mile walk from the mouth of Sunday River.

Benton Swan - A Special Logging Job

In 1955 Benton Swan, Sumner Burgess and my uncle Julian Howard got together to "professionally" thin part of Julian's Tree Farm that covered the Sunday River road area generally where the Newry Sunday River Fire Station is today. The whole Tree Farm included the fire station area on to The Colony development then across the road to what had been the Jackson homestead beyond the Harrington place down to the river including where the ski area's snow making pond is now. Later on Bryce Yates acquired the Tree Farm, all of

which is gone now.

My Uncle Julian was a very particular person and in this case he did not want any skidders, caterpillar tractors or the like messing up the forest area. So Benton used his beautiful white horse, Dan, to do the twitching. The rest of this story is in the photos in order left to right - looking down the Sunday River road; Benton, Sumner Burgess and Julian Howard; Dan on the job.

December 1941 - Bethel Makes Ready

Very soon after the attack on Pearl Harbor local response triggered a local Red Cross appeal. Readers were informed that one most important way we can help in our defense is local organization and preparation. Perley Flint local chairman of the Red Cross became the focal point for details and information about the various defense committees being formed. (Flint was the well-known owner of Bosebuck Camps.)

Bethel's Disaster Committee was chaired by Dr. E.L. Brown (dentist) which included Myron Bryant and Philip Burns. On Dec. 19 this committee met at Perley Flint's house. A number of sub-committees were appointed to work with the Disaster Committee: the Survey Committee would be chaired by G. L. Thurston; the Rescue Committee, chaired by Ralph Young; Medical Aid Committee chaired by Dr. R.R. Tibbets; Shelter Committee chaired by Robie Watson; Food Committee chaired by Elmer Bear; Clothing Committee chaired by Mrs. Henry Bennett; Transportation and Communications Committee chaired by Eugene A. Van Den Kerckhoven (this committee also included O.A. Pratt who was Bethel's station agent); and the Registration and Information Committee, chaired by Miss Ida Packard (Post Mistress).

Bethel

By Nancy Brown



The Bethel Celtic Concerts resume on Wednesday, Sept. 9, at 7 p.m. at the Bethel United Methodist Church with Old Man

Luedecke of Chester, Nova Scotia. Old Man Luedecke is a modern day people's poet and traveling bard and balladeer. His storytelling is a unique blend of folk, bluegrass, and pop music. He's played music around the world to a growing fan base and won two Juno awards in the process. The Juno awards are presented annually by the Canadian Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences to Canadian musicians to acknowledge artistic and technical achievements in all aspects of music. Luedecke's latest album, "Domestic Eccentric" was released this past summer. The album was produced in a cabin in the snowy woods of Nova Scotia with Tim O'Brien, a multi-instrumentalist whose solo work and collaborations have made him one of the most respected American musicians of this decade. Luedecke and O'Brien also collaborated on Luedecke's 2012 album "Tender is the Night," which was nominated for a Juno, listed for a Polaris Prize, and won Album of the Year at the East Coast Music Awards. Tickets for the concert are \$15; student tickets are \$5. For reservations call 824-2027. The church is at 79 Main Street in Bethel.

I picked apples at Gibson's on the North Road on Sunday morning. I was the first customer of the day (but not the season, which had started the day before). The orchard is beautifully manicured. It smells like fresh cut grass and apples. The trees are loaded with fruit. The early macs that I picked were sweet and made a delicious apple sauce, no sweetening needed. The orchard has 40 varieties of apples, and later in the season there will be cider.

I've noticed that apples are plentiful everywhere this year, including on the crab apple trees in our back pasture. These half dozen trees grew from apple seeds dropped by birds and other animals over the past 30 years. The trees have survived and somehow flourished in the shadow of the pine trees, providing food for deer, turkeys, and other wild animals during the fall and winter.

Jane Karker, the owner

OCSD Patrol Log

Wednesday, Aug. 26

At 3:24 a.m. Deputy Josh Aylward stopped a vehicle on Railroad Street in Bethel for erratic operation. After an OUI investigation Robert Clarey, 50, of Bethel was arrested for OUI.

At 6:11 p.m. a caller on Route 232 in Bethel reported the burglary of an unoccupied residence. The burglary is believed to have occurred during the last week.

Thursday, Aug. 27

At 9:05 a.m. a caller on West Paris Road in Greenwood reported someone had cut the tire on a tractor and the night before someone had damaged a fence, allowing cattle to get out. Cpl. Justin Brown was assigned.

At 7:31 p.m. a Bethel resident reported an e-mail fraud scheme that began with an e-mail and was followed with the receipt of a check and a follow-up phone contact. The complainant reported being solicited to advertise Red Bull on her vehicle for a fee of \$600 a year. The caller became suspicious when she received a check much greater than the agreed-upon amount and was asked to cash it and send the balance to a third party. The check was determined to be not valid. The scheme has been reported nationwide.

At 7:56 p.m. Deputy Dere MacDonald responded to a complaint of people firing at a gravel pit in Gilead. The subjects were gone on arrival.

At 11:48 p.m. Deputy Dere MacDonald responded to Main Street in Bethel for a report of a subject lying in the road, dressed all in black. No one was located on arrival.

Friday, Aug. 28

At 10:12 a.m. a subject reported a drug transaction taking place in a vehicle on Railroad Street in Bethel. Sgt. Tim Holland responded, and the case was under investigation.

At 4:35 p.m. Deputy Steve Witham responded to the Walkers Mills Road in Bethel for a report of a theft at a residence. The incident was under investigation.

Saturday, Aug. 29

At 1:10 p.m. Deputy Steve Witham did a welfare check on a subject walking on Route 2 in Bethel. No emergency was found and the subject was checked by Bethel Rescue.

Sunday, Aug. 30

At 8:44 a.m. a subject reported a cord of wood had been stolen from his wood lot on the Intervale Road in Bethel in the last three days. Deputy Dere MacDonald was assigned.

At 8:59 a.m. Deputy Dere MacDonald assisted Bethel Rescue with a subject who had fallen and cut his head at a business on Mayville Road in Bethel.

Monday, Aug. 31

At 6:35 a.m. a caller reported someone had broken into a utility trailer on North Road in Bethel. Nothing appeared to be missing. Deputy Dere MacDonald was assigned.

Heroin

Continued from page 4

Holland said last Thursday of Mills' death: "All evidence is pointing toward heroin."

News of Turner's death and Lavoie's arrest came just a day after Maine's Republican Gov. Paul LePage held a

drug crime summit in Augusta where state and federal law enforcement officers as well as other officials started to develop a focused strategy to combat the state's growing heroin problem.

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and president of Maine Authors and Publishing Cooperative will present a class on independent publishing for Maine writers on Thursday, Sept. 17, at the Norway Memorial Library. The class will guide writers through the steps needed to publish their own book, including the importance of editing, marketing plans, and technical assistance. The class is from 6:15 to 8:30 p.m. It is free and open to the public, but you need to register in advance by calling 743-5309, ext. 1.

If you have news to share, please e-mail me at brown-nancy1950@gmail.com.

East Bethel

By Wally Ritz



By the time you read this, the kids will be back in school. So please do be careful and slow down in the morning when they are out there waiting for the bus. For some it may be annoying to be "stuck behind" a bus, yet bus drivers are courteous in our area and usually will pull over at a safe spot to let you pass. I wish all students a great new school year.

Now let's move on to the answer to the Trivia: It was in 1895 that Porter Farwell added a new ell with piazza, sheds, etc. and it was Frank Russell and Edward L. Bean doing the work for him.

Don't forget to call me at 507-1008 or e-mail heinrich-cracker@gmail.com, with your news, questions or information.

This weekend we are celebrating the struggles and achievements of the common worker. They fought

hard for better working conditions, which are being taken for granted now by many. It is and always has been the hard working people who have made this country great.

In this spirit, I wish you all a happy and safe Holiday weekend.

Happy Labor Day.

West Bethel



By Karen Paul
Ellen Whitney hosted a housewarming party for Andy who has purchased the old Ralph McArthur home on the Flat Road. A cook-out with burgers and hot-dogs was enjoyed by all. Aunt Dorothy made a huge chocolate cake for the occasion.

Cathryn Lovejoy and Marilyn Wheeler Estrada attended the funeral of a former West Paris classmate, Erwin Hayes, in Oxford. Lonnie Davis dropped in to chat with Rodney Jordan and shared many old photos of plowing and snow storms along the Flat Road in West Bethel.

Rodney Jordan is in CMMC following bypass surgery on his leg.

Remember to call me with your news at 836-2266 or e-mail me at paulkmarie@gmail.com.

Andover

By Jane C. Rich



About 30 persons gathered on Saturday for a work day at our school which included cleaning buses, washing windows, painting, weeding the gardens and otherwise spruc-

ing up the building and grounds to be ready for the first day of our New Andover School. Several young people also helped out.

The Comprehensive Plan Committee under the leadership of Anna Camire will meet this evening at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall. The adoption of a new plan is important to the town to plan for future growth and without it we are unable to apply for grants.

Tomorrow evening, Sept. 4 will be the last summer concert series on the bandstand beginning at 6 p.m. Thanks to Pete Coolidge and friends this has become a much looked forward to event in the community. So bring your lawn chairs and enjoy a couple of hours of music from local talent.

Most taxpayers received their 2015 tax bills on Saturday. The mil rate is \$19.60 per \$1,000 of evaluation. The increase is primarily due to our new school situation and a modest up-tick in the Town appropriation and County tax. Any errors should be addressed to the Selectmen/Assessors who will rectify them as soon as possible.

On Wednesday, Sept. 2, the Selectmen presented the Boston Post Cane to Archer "Junior" Poor at the Veteran's Home in South Paris to honor him as the oldest living resident of the town. Present were his son Peter and daughter Paula.

Several organization send me notices of impending meetings, but I'd really like for the secretaries or chairmen to e-mail me results of those meetings so the public could be informed of your activities. My e-mail is jcrich@twc.com or you can call 392-3761.



CONSTRUCTION STEP ONE FOR ANDY BARLOW-Andy Barlow of Hanover watches as concrete is poured for the start of construction of his new home. Contractor Howard Bailey of Andover Log Homes is leading the project. He and other subcontractors have donated all labor, equipment and supplies. The community has also been doing fundraising for the effort. Barlow has been paralyzed from the waist down for most of his life, and getting around his family's old farmhouse has been a challenge. *Submitted photo*

Locke's Mills

By Amy Wight Chapman



Can we get a round of applause for the dedicated Greenwood Historical Society volunteers who have been working so hard to spruce up the Bennett house? Thanks to Blaine and Margaret Mills, Butch and Esther Fuller, Brandt and Sandy Hanson, and Rich and Lonny Schneider, most of the old clapboards on the main part of the house have been removed and replaced with new ones. They are staining them with opaque white stain before installing them, so peeling paint should no longer be an issue. What a difference!

Seeing the work at the Bennett house has made me think that replacing the clapboards on our own house

with new ones, and using solid stain rather than paint on them, may be the way to go. I know it probably doesn't look like we've tried all that hard to keep paint on our house, but even the areas we've painted fairly recently have peeled quickly.

Keeping up an old house (ours was built in the late 19th century) is a constant battle, but we've already lost so many of the older homes in the village that I think it's important to hang onto the ones that are still left.

Apple season is definitely here. Four of our seven "new" apple trees (about ten years old) have apples this year. We have quite a few on the Cortland, Carroll, and Redwell trees, and one lone apple on a tree called Goodland, a variety I had never heard of before.

In addition to those trees, we also have a few huge old apple trees around our yard

that have been there forever, and they seem to be covered with fruit this year, too. I think the biggest tree is a Yellow Transparent, and the apples are probably ready now, so I guess if I can find a good ladder I should pick them before they fall and get bruised.

My mother loved Yellow Transparent apples and would always try to get some at the end of the summer before we went home to Connecticut from Maine. They are not a good keeper, but they make great applesauce.

Speaking of apples, as our trees get bigger and start to produce more fruit, I'm going to be on the lookout for a cider press. I'd love to hear recommendations if anyone knows of a kind that works particularly well, or, even better, if anyone knows of a good secondhand one for sale, or a kit or plans for building your own.

We've also been picking and eating plums, mostly from our Superior tree, but there are a few on the Mount Royal and Jubilee trees, too, and they're all delicious. Now if we could just get our peach and pear trees to start bearing fruit, we'd have quite the mini-orchard on our acre or so of land.

The Greenwood selectmen and budget committee met last week to discuss long-range budget planning. Most of the focus was on planning for needed repairs or additions to various town buildings, including the highway garage, town hall, and fire stations. The idea is to look ahead to when we will need to make these major expenditures, and to start to set money aside for them each year, rather than waiting until an urgent need arises, and having to borrow and pay interest. We'll be discussing it more during our annual budget sessions in the spring, and then we'll see how it sounds to the voters at Town Meeting in May.

The Shadagee Ramblers will provide music for a supper dance at American Legion Jackson-Silver Post 68 on the Gore Road on Tuesday, Sept. 8 at 5 p.m. The doors open at 4, and the cost for the supper and dance is \$10 for adults. Supper alone is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children.

E-mail your news to amy.w.chapman@gmail.com, leave a message at 875-5511, or contact me on Facebook.

Bryant Pond

By Alice Hoyt



The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will meet at the Masonic Hall on Thursday, Sept. 3 (today) for a meeting and dinner put on by the Star Birthday Club. Meeting starts at 11:30. New members always welcome.

The Whitman Memorial Library program for September will be on Thursday, Sept. 10 at 2 p.m. Guest speaker will be David Shaw. He will be talking about time he has spent helping pastors in Brazil for the last 15 years. He will be giving a slide presentation and showing artifacts of his account in the Amazon, fishing for piranha, hunting alligators and visiting buffalo farms. The public is invited to attend at no charge. Light refreshments. Sympathy is extended to the family of Olga Morgan.

The Woodstock Historical Society will meet on Saturday, Sept. 12, for a meeting at the museum.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15, Morning Worship

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at 10:30, Evening Service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is Mid-Week Service, Bloom for girls 13 to 18 years and Foundations for guys 15 and up. Looking ahead, Sept. 20 to 23, Pastor Ron Caudill will be having special services. He is a longtime pastor and preaches at missions, leadership, family and Bible conferences around the country.

Franklin Grange 124's next meeting is Sept. 12 at Norway Grange for installation, 6 p.m. potluck supper and 7 p.m. meeting.

Linda Stowell and Susan Glines recently returned from a week's visit to Ireland. They met Carol Riddell of Barrie, Ontario, in Dublin, and set off by car to tour the northern half of the country. They spent half their time in Northern Ireland, driving the scenic coastal route. Stops at the Giant's Causeway, and the Dark Hedges were very impressive. They walked the wall around the city of Derry, and enjoyed an evening of Irish music in Donegal. A night was spent in Galway, followed by a tour of Newgrange in County Meath. They had a wonderful time, and were grateful that Carol did all the driving!

Larry Billings would like to thank the people who helped him out recently at Stephens Memorial Hospital.

Gilead

By Lin Chapman



September is here. It was nice to have a few cooler nights for easy sleeping. Less humidity is always wonderful. School is in session, so watch out for children and school buses.

My brother, Steve McLain, with the help of his son, Brad, have been battling the war on grass. They tackled the big lawn at the Dupont House and the large area in front of Steve's house. He likes to keep the area mowed around the Town of Gilead sign.

Hugh and I went to Bridgton last Saturday to meet Carole Robbins and pick up our grandson, William Chapman. He was going to spend the last few days with his Dad before school begins. He will be attending Thornton Academy this year.

This past weekend, Hugh and I went to Berlin and, on Saturday, we stopped into the Moffett House, Berlin and Coos County Historical Society. On Sunday, we met a couple of the members at the Brown Company Barns on the East Milan Road and had a tour. They were getting ready for their Twenty-fifth Anniversary Celebration. The public is invited to attend the celebration on Sunday, Sept. 6 from noon to

four at the barns. There will be displays set up and vendors will be supplying food.

The BCOHS displays thousands of objects and photographs representing the history of Berlin and Coos County. The Moffett House is packed with display cases and items relating to the area history.

We were interested to find out what information they might have regarding the O.B. Brown farm that was in Gilead on the North Road. We will have more on that when we gather all the information we can.

Gilead Historical Society
The Annual Meeting of the GHS will be held on Saturday, Sept. 12 at the Town Hall. There will be a pot luck lunch at noon and the meeting will follow. The new slate of officers will be voted on and the scholarship that is offered each year will be reviewed. Changes were suggested at the meeting in May and will be voted on. The event is open to the public. Just bring an item to share for lunch. There will be a short program after the meeting.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com.

South Woodstock

By Lolalee Dillingham



Monday, Aug. 31 9:20 a.m.

Good morning dear readers, a bright sunny day here with the temperature in the high 60s right now. The weatherman is saying some humidity today. It's 48 percent humidity here; no humidity for me, thank you.

Condolences are going out to the families of Earnest Komulainen, James W. Story, James H. Bridges, Sr. Dorothy M. Bean and Helen Webb.

Craig Moore, April Paine, Gail Silver, Kimberly Mason and Spencer Moore attended the Windsor fair yesterday.

Congratulations to Kimberly Mason on being the 2015 Junior Halter Class Showmanship winner of the Windsor Fair.

Craig is hauling a couple of loads of wood from up on the Koskela Road today.

Yogi is working with Dale and Jim hauling winter sand for Woodstock again today, they hauled all day Friday.

The winter months will soon be upon us before we know it and the Farmer's Almanac is saying another cold and snowy like last year for us here in Maine.

Yogi and I set up some things for a garage sale next week end. Lots of good used furniture, a lighthouse collection, M&M collection (light, two phones, a car),



NEW FLAG FOR KIDS TO SALUTE-The Mundt-Allen American Legion Post of Bethel donated a flag for the pole outside the Bethel Early Learning Center at Bethel Station, and last week members raised it for the first time as the youngsters looked on. As Rich Grover runs the flag up the pole, fellow-Legion members Randy Autrey and Norm Clanton salute.

Submitted photo

clothes, winter coats, jackets, dishes, etc. Rain or shine. Congratulations and good luck to Jason Koskela on his re-opening of the Snow Falls restaurant. We wish him the very best on his new adventure.

Get well wishes are going out to our daughter-in-law Caroline Dillingham, who is having some serious medical issues. Also to our friends Debbie Jack and Cleo Rysen and to those who are not feeling quite up to par these days. Our prayers with each of them for a speedy recovery.

Lolalee and Paula will be on stage at the Countryfolk Music Theatre in Dixfield this Saturday at 4 p.m.

I am busy working on my homemade items for Christmas gifts. Several are done but a few more to get done.

I so enjoy making things for family and friends all year, but Christmas is the one I enjoy the most.

School has started so please watch for the children and drive safe and be sure to take all precautions near the school crosswalks.

Well dear readers that's all from the valley this week. Enjoy each day and stay well.

Upton

By Joe Bernier



The Letter B Notch Riders have 43 memberships this year. Most of them are family memberships so there is a total of 83 members. Eight of the memberships are gratis, landowner or honorary. Five of those are from Upton; two from other Maine towns and one from Errol, N.H. Of the remaining 35 memberships, eight more are from Upton, 12 from elsewhere in Maine, 10 from New Hamp-

shire, three from Massachusetts and one each from Vermont and Rhode Island. I estimate that less than half of the people from Upton who have an ATV are members. I would make a wager that most of them ride the trails. Thank you to everyone who joined the club, with an extra thank you to those of you that helped with the trails, bridges, club rides, cookouts, "Fun Day" and other club activities. One more club ride, one more meeting and the club will cease official activities for the year.

The Upton planning board met Friday, Aug. 18. They processed one building application. After some clarification from the applicant, the permit was approved.

The Upton Selectmen will meet Tuesday, Sept. 8, 7 p.m. at the town office.

Please call 533-2010 or e-mail backstjoe@gmail.com with your Upton news.

Waterford

By Rockie Graham



Today, Monday, Aug. 31, is gorgeous. It is warm and sunny but with a nice breeze so it doesn't feel too hot. To honor it I got my hair cut. Also because Paula is home and could cut it. It looks great I think. Will wait to see what others think. In any case, a good day for a haircut.

Must take a break to ease the pain in my hip. Getting a second opinion tomorrow and will see if there is anything to ease the pain. Also got my foot taped and hope that will help the ankle swelling. Getting old just isn't what it was cracked up to be. I guess it does beat the alternative.

Friday, Sept. 3 is pay day but more importantly it is the first Friday and that

means "Red Hot" First Friday Reception at the Main St. Art Gallery, 426 Main Street in Norway. The reception is from 5 to 7 p.m. Irina Kahn will be showing her oils, watercolors pastels and acrylics. The gallery is free and open to the public.

Sunday, Sept. 6 in Stoneham the Annual Labor Day weekend breakfast at Stoneham Rescue on Butters hill in Stoneham. Adults are \$5 and children \$2.50. This will begin at 7 a.m. Great food and a great cause. It could be you they rescue next.

Monday, Sept. 7 is Labor Day.

Tuesday, Sept. 8 in Norway, the Alzheimer Assoc

fundraiser discussion will be at Café Nomad 450 Main Street, Norway at 1 p.m.

Next week, Sept. 11 in Lovell there will be a harvest supper at UCC Route 5 in Center Lovell. Corned beef, potatoes cabbage, carrots, bread pies, coffee and lemonade. Adults \$10, kids under 12 \$4.

Sept. 12, Mt. Valley Lyme Disease Awareness Coalition will hold their fourth annual Lyme Disease Conference at Telstar Regional High School in Bethel. Conference begins at 9 a.m. A \$10 donation is asked to help pay for the speakers. State Rep. Deb Sanderson will give the opening remarks at 9:45 followed by Dr. Bea Szantyr who will speak about Lyme Disease basics. Next via satellite will be Dr. Alan MacDonald renowned Lyme researcher. In the afternoon "Laughter Is the Best Medicine" by Main Humorist Gary Crocker and Charles Ray Jones will speak about Lyme Disease and kids. Closing remarks will be by Sharon Rose Vashis at 4:45 p.m.

Lunch will be available for purchase through Crossroads Diner in Bethel, Special accommodations are available through Slope side Rentals. Contact the Bethel Chamber of Commerce at 824-2808.

The conference is presented through a grant from the Lyme Disease Association.

I think I will cap it at that this week. Have a great week, stay cool and watch out for those yellow buses. School has started. For input please call: 743-0583.

Moriah Brook Bridge Closure

The Moriah Brook Trail Bridge is closed as of Tuesday, Sept. 1, 2015. In consecutive storms in 2011 and 2012, Tropical Storm Irene and Hurricane Sandy delivered extensive flooding in the Wild River watershed, eroding much of the river banks, particularly under the eastern abutment of the bridge. Since those large storms, the river has remained in a state of change, further removing soil and vegetation from the banks. This, combined with decaying wood, has led United States Forest Service engineers to determine the bridge is unsafe and due for removal.

This pedestrian bridge provided access from Wild River Campground to the west side of the Wild River Wilderness, and the east side of the Carter-Moriah Range. Hikers need to be prepared to ford the river, find another crossing, or

turn back and hike another day. With the closure of this bridge, the only remaining hiker bridge is at the northeastern end of the Highwater Trail, seven miles downstream at the confluence of the Wild River and Evans Brook.

A barricade is in place on both sides of the bridge preventing further use. All trailheads that provide reasonable access to the bridge are posted with notices. Hikers are urged to be prepared by planning ahead.

The Forest Service is currently in the process developing a proposed action and will be seeking public comments. We welcome thoughts on locations and alternative suggestions and designs. For comments and questions, please contact Helon Hoffer at Androscoggin Ranger Station of the White Mountain National Forest at 603-466-2713 ext. 1211.

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Maine Ski Hall of Fame 13th Annual Banquet at Sunday River

Maine Ski Hall of Fame committee chairman Dave Irons has put out the call for skiers to make their reservations to attend the 13th annual Induction Banquet scheduled for Sunday River, Saturday, October 24th. The Maine Ski Hall of Fame was formed in 2003 to honor those skiers who have made their mark in skiing, either in competition, coaching, building ski areas, and making other significant contributions to the sport. With this year's class, more than 100 skiers will have been recognized for their part in bringing distinction to Maine skiing.

This year's event at the Sunday River Grand Summit Hotel will include Fireside Chat 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., the Hall of Fame Reception, with Dinner and Awards at 6:30. Reservations are required and may be made through Ski Maine at 207-773-7669. For details and on line reservations go to www.skimuseumofmaine.org. Maine Ski Hall of Fame Class of 2015 John Ritzo came to Maine in 1986 to take over as Headmaster of the three year old Carrabassett Valley Academy. His goal was to expand the school in every way and when he retired 26 years lat-

er he had succeeded in spectacular fashion. The list of international and Olympic competitors is long and growing in alpine racing, freestyle and snowboarding including gold medal winners Bode Miller and Seth Wescott. Academically CVA has grown as well with close to 100 percent of its graduates going on to some of the finest colleges and today, a new campus is in place where 115 students live, study, and compete. John Ritzo led CVA to a spot among the very best ski academies. Tom Kendall got his start in ski racing in junior programs in Auburn, raced

for Edward Little and Dartmouth, but it wasn't until his own children got involved in racing that he made his mark on the sport. Up until the early 80s all alpine race timing was done by hand. Kendall didn't like wasting all the time it took and he used his computer skills to develop a program that would take in the numbers and spit out the results in minutes instead of hours. His expertise has led to timing top college races and directing the timing of Olympic skiing.

Peter Davis followed a long line of top flight skiers coming out of Edward Little High School where he won the Maine State Junior Nordic Championships. While at New England College he trained and competed on his own as the school had no Nordic team and qualified for the NCAA Ski Championships as an individual. His performances led to his being named to the US Nordic Ski Team. For the last 35 years John Diller has been well known as part of the management team at Sugarloaf, and GM since 1998. Less well known to today's Sugarloafers and other Maine skiers is his role in early freestyle skiing. As coach of the Sugarloaf Master's program, Diller was instrumental in the transition of this program to the freestyle skiing we watch in the modern Olympics. In the seventies while coaching such national champions as Joannie MacWilliams Dolan he worked with the rules committee to formalize judging and bring the fledgling sport to maturity. From freestyle to leading the entire re-

sort at Sugarloaf, John Diller has been a leader in Maine skiing. Megan Roberts has been devoted to skiing since her high school racing days at Mount Blue High School. After helping to win the state championship in high school, Megan attended Plymouth State College where she was co-captain of the ski team. In the 80s she worked extensively with the Camden Snowbowl as a race coach and teaching a special "Women's Way" program. Returning to her home town she became heavily involved with the Farmington Ski Club as a volunteer and eventually became the first female general manager of its Titcomb Mountain where she increased membership and revenues and installed a new beginner lift. Luba Lowery was adopted from her native Russia at the age of four by a Maine family that was unaware that she had been born without hip sockets. At age five she began skiing with Maine Handicapped Skiing at Sunday River and joined their ski team at age 11. By ninth grade she was on the US Disabled ski team and won the Junior US National Disabled Championship. She switched from Greeley to Gould Academy to spend more time on snow and wound up skiing in competition over the next decade culminated with the 2010 Paralympics. Bruce Chalmers was among the early skiers at Pleasant Mountain developing the skills that led to his being not only captain but coach of his team at Bowdoin College. Returning to

Bridgton after graduation Bruce got involved in skiing in two ways. In the family insurance business he worked with ski areas to develop ski safety programs and at Pleasant Mountain his focus was on getting school students into the sport. His two pronged approach called for recruiting a team of instructors and convincing local school officials to let the kids out early to attend learning sessions at the mountain. The program grew to 400 student skiers and played a key role in creating skiers. The program continues today with 250 to 400 kids on hand every Monday afternoon at Shawnee Peak. Jill Sickels Matlock got her start at Farmington's Titcomb Mountain, and became an outstanding high school and junior racer, the beginning of a lifetime devoted to skiing. Jill was a Division I alpine ski racer in college and went on to become PSIA certified instructor, a PSIA-RM Educational Staff Member/Examiner, and named one of SKI Magazine's Top 100 instructors. At Crested Butte in Colorado, she trained instructors and served as race coach. Her coaching includes the US Ski Team, Carrabassett Valley Academy and Green Mountain Valley School. At Crested Butte Jill joined the local adventurers in Extreme skiing and won four national Extreme skiing championships and was a top five finisher five times in the World Extreme Skiing Championships, resulting in her being named one of the top 50 Best Skiers in North America by Powder Magazine.



ELLIS RIVER RIDERS LABOR DAY WEEKEND SHOWS-The Ellis River Riders will be holding two days of horse shows this over Labor Day weekend. The shows start at 9 a.m. On Saturday the 5th there will be an open show. English and Western riders will compete in pleasure and trail classes. On Sunday the 6th it will be a game show with fast and fun games for all ages and abilities, including barrel racing, pole bending and much more. Spectators are welcome and admission is free. The food booth will be serving all day and there is seating. The location is Airport Road in Andover. For more information visit the website www.ellisriversiders.com or call 392-2381.

All Town Dinner at DAC

In what is becoming an annual tradition, we end our summer full of its bounty in the most direct way imaginable. Join the DAC for a locally-sourced farm-to-table dinner on Sept. 5, featuring organic produce from Patch Farms right here in Denmark for only \$20 per person (includes four course meal and wine tasting); free-range meat from Black Mountain Farms in Sweden, and various knick-knacks from our good friends at Spice & Grain in Fryeburg. Adding to the dinner will be a slide show and presentation by Patch and Black Mountain Farms, on the subject of A

Year in the Life of a Maine Farm. We are especially pleased to have secured Jonny St. Laurent (AKA "the Marquis de Lard") as our guest chef of honor. "I am a huge fan of the Denmark Arts Center," St. Laurent notes, "So when they asked me, it was as if the muses had spoken. I'm thrilled to be able to contribute my creative bona-fides to what is sure to be a season-ending grand slam of an event." The menu plays to St. Laurent's strengths while highlighting local foods, and includes BBQ and local produce. St. Laurent is best re-

membered as the founder and driving force behind the legendary Uncle Billy's Southside Bar-B-Que in Portland. Widely praised as the best BBQ joint in the state, Uncle Billy's still drew the sort of praise that would turn Mario Batali's cheeks red. One reviewer led with, "Never have I had barbecue like this. Not in Texas, not in Memphis, not in my dreams." Tickets for the ALL TOWN DINNER are available online, and at Bridgton Books in Bridgton. See <http://www.denmarkarts.org/event/all-town-dinner/> for details.

School Lunch Menu

MSAD 44 School Lunches Sept. 3-11

Elementary Schools

Thursday: French toast sticks, ham slice, fruit and salad bar or sun butter and jelly.
Friday: Meatball sub, fruit and salad bar or sun butter and fluff.
Monday: Labor Day. No school.
Tuesday: Chicken patty, baked beans, fruit and salad bar or sun butter and jelly.
Wednesday: Nachos, salsa, fruit and salad bar or sun butter and jelly.
Thursday: Maxx cheese sticks, dipping sauce, fruit and salad bar or sun butter and jelly.
Friday: Shepherd's pie, dinner roll, fruit and salad bar or sun butter and fluff.

Telstar

Thursday: French toast sticks, ham hash, cinnamon applesauce.
Friday: Meatball sub, oven fries, celery sticks, pears, fruit choices.
Monday: Labor Day. No school.
Tuesday: Chicken patty on a wholegrain roll, baked beans, broccoli with cheese sauce, fruit choice.
Wednesday: Nachos, rice, whole kernel corn, salsa, trail mix.
Thursday: Maxx sticks with dipping sauce, cuke slices, tropical fruit.
Friday: Shepherd's pie, green beans, dinner roll, homemade blueberry crisp.
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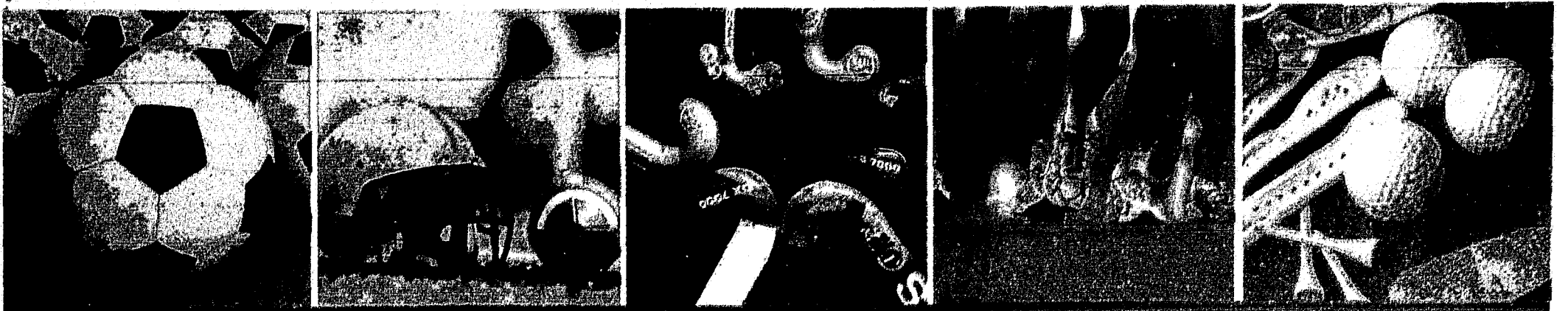
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Telstar Regional High School

FALL SPORTS SCHEDULE

Telstar High School
BOYS SOCCER

DATE	TEAM	PLACE	TIME
September			
5	Dirigo	Home	11:00
8	Lisbon	Away	4:00
11	Monmouth	Home	4:00
14	Mt. Abram	Away	4:00
16	Mt. Abram	Home	4:00
18	St. Dom's	Away	4:00
22	Winthrop	Home	3:30
24	Carrabec	Home	3:30
28	Hall-Dale	Home	3:30
30	Hall-Dale	Away	3:30
October			
2	Mtn. Valley	Away	6:00
6	Oak Hill	Home	3:30
9	Wiscasset	Away	7:00
16	Monmouth	Away	3:30

All dates/times/locations subject to change.

Telstar High School
GIRLS SOCCER

DATE	TEAM	PLACE	TIME
September			
4	Dirigo	Home	4:00
9	Lisbon	Away	4:00
12	Monmouth	Home	11:00
15	Mt. Abram	Away	4:00
17	St. Dom's	Away	4:00
21	Winthrop	Home	3:30
23	Carrabec	Home	3:30
25	Winthrop	Home	3:30
29	Madison	Home	3:30
October			
1	Mtn. Valley	Away	3:30
5	Oak Hill	Home	3:30
9	Wiscasset	Away	5:30
12	Boothbay	Away	1:00
14	Monmouth	Away	3:30

All dates/times/locations subject to change.

Telstar High School
CROSS-COUNTRY

DATE	TEAM(S)	PLACE	TIME
September			
4	Bulldog Challenge	Madison	4:15
9	Dirigo, Carrabec, Madison, St. Dom's Mtn. Valley	Telstar	4:15
16	Madison, Winthrop Dirigo, Mtn. Valley	Carrabec	4:15
23	MVC Mid-Season Meet	U. Maine Augusta	
29	Madison	Madison	4:15
October			
3	Festival of Champions	Belfast	
16	MVC Championships	U. Maine Augusta	
24	Regionals		
31	States		

All dates/times/locations subject to change.
Girls will run first if they are racing separately.

Telstar High School
FIELD HOCKEY

DATE	TEAM	PLACE	TIME
September			
4	Boothbay	Home	4:00
7	St. Dom's	Away	4:00
9	Winthrop	Home	4:00
11	Dirigo	Away	4:00
14	Lisbon	Home	4:00
16	Oak Hill	Away	4:00
21	Mtn. Valley	Home	3:30
25	Winthrop	Away	3:30
28	Hall-Dale	Home	3:30
October			
2	Mtn. Valley	Away	3:30
5	Oak Hill	Home	3:30
7	Dirigo	Home	3:30
9	Boothbay	Away	3:30

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Telstar High School
FOOTBALL

DATE	TEAM	PLACE	TIME
September			
4	Dirigo	Away	7:00
11	Sacopee (scrimmage)	Away	7:00
19	Old Orchard Beach	Home	1:30
26	Oak Hill	Home	1:30
October			
2	Maranacook	Away	7:00
9	Boothbay	Away	7:00
17	Traip Academy	Home	1:30
24	Lisbon	Home	1:30

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Telstar High School
GOLF

DATE	TEAM(S)	PLACE	TIME
September			
9	Madison	Lakewood CC	3:00
14	Carrabec	Diadema CC	3:30
16	Carrabec	Bethel Inn CC	3:30
18	Oak Hill	The Meadows CC	3:30
21	St. Dom's	Bethel Inn CC	3:30
23	Winthrop	Springbook CC	3:30
25	Oak Hill	Bethel Inn CC	3:30
28	Mtn. Valley, Dirigo	Bethel Inn CC	3:30
October			
1	Madison	Bethel Inn CC	3:30

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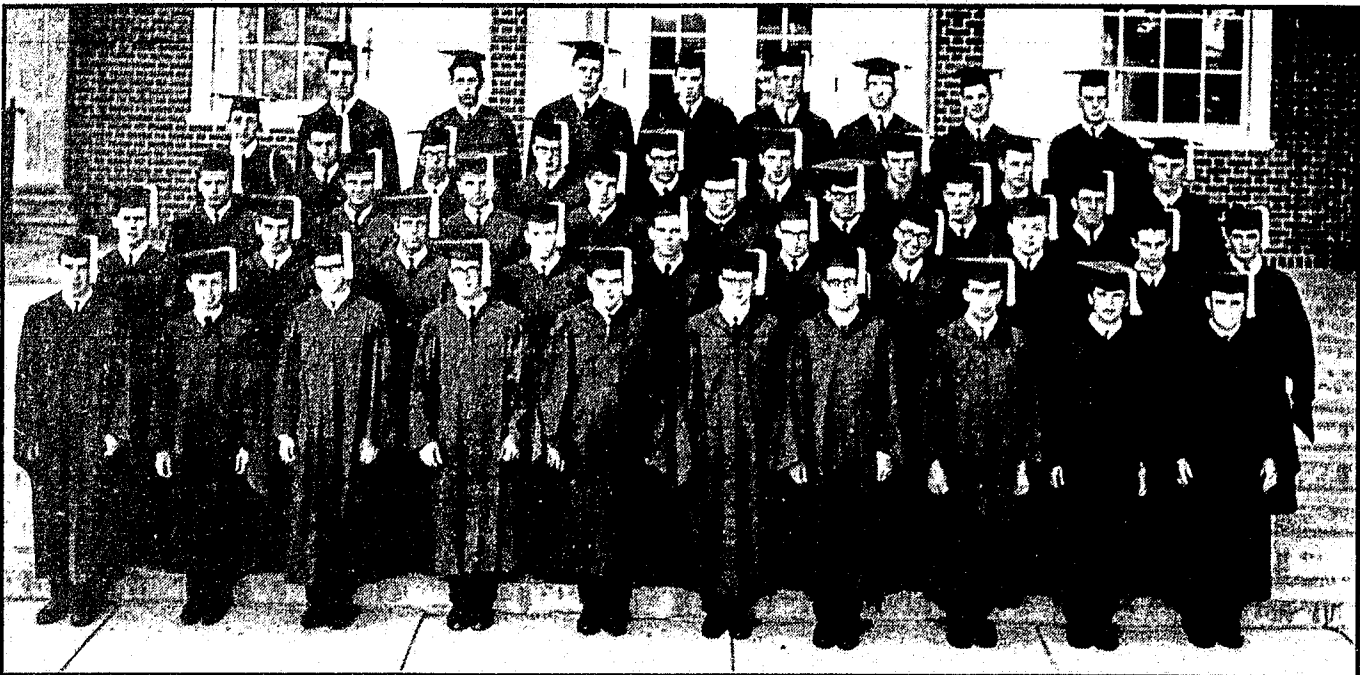


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Gould Academy



BETHEL ROTARY PRODUCE STAND-The Bethel Rotary Club's free produce exchange at the Kulik's home at 60 Elm Street is open. Everyone is welcome to come drop off extra garden produce or take whatever they want from the selection on the table. The Rotary Club wants everyone to enjoy the bounty of the season. Submitted photo

Western Maine Art Group Reception and Exhibit

The Main Street Gallery, 426 Main Street, Norway, continues its summer season with a First Friday Reception Sept. 4, from 5 to 7 p.m. The gallery will be exhibiting the work of fine artists and artisans living and working in Western Maine. September's theme is "Red Hot" - works featuring the colored red.

The gallery's artist of the month, Irina Kahn, will give a short talk on her work. Irina has pursued self-expression in oil, watercolor, pastel and acrylics. This show will focus on flora, landscapes and birds.

Please join us at our opening and view the collection of original arts, mosaics, landscapes, figurative paintings, still life paintings, jewelry and more.

During the summer season, the gallery is open Tuesday through Saturday 10 to 4. For more information, art classes, demonstrations and special trips sponsored by the WMAG visit westernmaineartgroup.org and Facebook, Main Street Gallery. The gallery is free and open to the public.

Gen207's 'Ask Me (Almost) Anything' Forum is coming to Woodstock

The Woodstock Republican Committee will be hosting #Gen207 on Sept. 18 at 6 p.m. at the Whitman Library, Main Street, Woodstock. Please call to reserve your seat 665-2049. This is an excellent forum to discuss your concerns with the next generation of political activists and to hear their insightful voices about dealing with our country's direction.

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Party founded #Gen207 as a place for young Mainers to explore the ideals and policies consistent with small government, sound economic policy, individual responsibility and personal liberty in order to develop and strengthen the next generation of Mainers who will lead our state in the not too distant future.

#Gen207's Ask Me (Almost) Anything interactive forums promote discussion and diversity of opinion on issues that matter to you. Our young Republican speakers come from a variety of political backgrounds, from college campuses to the

Maine Senate, from the Republican National Committee to the LePage Administration. #Gen207's forums allow you to ask a diverse panel of young, motivated

republicans about (almost) anything, and support the involvement of young republicans statewide. Light snacks and drinks will be provided.

Albany South Information Session

The White Mountain National Forest Service has postponed their 30-Day Comment Report for the Albany South timber harvest project until October, 2015. The report was supposed to have been disseminated this August and the Kezar Lake Watershed Association had planned to host a informational session, once it was released, to discuss what was being proposed and to help explain the whole process.

The KLWA will still hold an Albany South Information Session (while summer residents are still around) to help people understand what the Forest Service is considering. It's all pretty complex, but there are definitely choices that would be better for the Kezar Lake Watershed. This session will also enhance our capacity to interpret the 30-Day Comment Report when it is released.

Please join us on Sunday, Sept. 6 at 4:515 p.m. at the Charlotte Hobbs Library in Lovell. We will present Albany South as we know it to date, will explain what we can expect down the road, and will try to answer your questions. We have also invited the Forest Service to come help answer questions.

Additionally, we can schedule more site walks, if people are interested.

If you would like to receive the 30-Day Comment Report, please email the White Mountain National Forest Service (pnasta@fs.fed.us) and ask to be placed on the Albany South email distribution list.

You might also like to check out Albany South Project on Facebook.

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District Exchange; Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4 p.m., Thursday 4 to 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours - No exceptions. FMI: 824-4090. Clothing may also be left at Northeast Bank, Main Street, Bethel Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Bethel Area Food Pantry; serving the residents of Albany, Andover, Bethel, East Bethel, West Bethel, Bryant Pond, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Locke's Mills, Mason Township, Newry, Upton and Woodstock. The Food Pantry is open on the second Monday of each month from noon to 8 p.m. Anyone in need of food should come during those hours, without appointment. The Food Pantry is located in the basement of the Nazarene Church, 16 Church Street, Bethel, by the side entrance on Park Street.

Thursday, Sept. 3

Health Insurance Literacy Session; 1 to 2:30 p.m., Bethel Family Health Center, 32 Railroad Street, Bethel. Are you newly insured? Do you find health insurance terms such as co-pay, deductible and co-insurance to be confusing? The Maine Primary Care Association, with help from Community Health Options, is helping insured Mainers navigate their insurance to use it for their best health. The session is open to all, regardless of insurance carrier or insurance status. Resources and referral information will be available to take home. FMI: Jeb E. Murphy (621-6677 ext. 203 or jmurphy@mepca.org.

Friday, Sept. 4

"Red Hot" First Friday Reception; 5 to 7 p.m., Main Street Gallery, 426 Main Street, Norway. During the reception, the gallery's artist of the month, Irina Kahn, will give a short talk on her work. Irina has pursued self-expression in oil, watercolor, pastel, and acrylics. This show will focus on flora, landscapes, and birds. FMI: westernmaineartgroup.org or Main Street Gallery on Facebook. The gallery is free and open to the public.

Concerts on the Common; 6 p.m., Andover Common. FMI: 392-1028.

Sept. 5, 6 and 7

Alder River Grange Yard Sale; 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Alder River Grange Hall, 1897 Intervale Road.

Saturday, Sept. 5

Farmington Historical Society Yard Sale; 9 a.m., Octagon Carriage House, 126 High Street, Farmington. Furniture, tools, household items, antiques and more. Rain date: Sept. 12.

All Town Dinner; 7 p.m., Denmark Arts Center, 50 West Main Street, Denmark. Join the DAC for a locally-sourced farm-to-table dinner, featuring organic produce from Patch Farms right here in Denmark; free-range meat from Black Mountain Farms in Sweden, and various knick-knacks from our good friends at Spice & Grain in Fryeburg. Adding to the dinner will be a slide show and presentation by Patch and Black Mountain Farms, on the subject of A Year in the Life of a Maine Farm. \$20 per person, includes four course meal and wine tasting. FMI: <http://www.denmarkarts.org/event/all-town-dinner/>.

Jones Dance Band; 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Old-fashioned dance music. Adults/\$5.

Tuesday, Sept. 8

Supper Dance; 5 to 9:30 p.m. (doors open at 4), Locke's Mills Legion Hall. Music by the Shadagee Ramblers. Menu: Casseroles, salads, veggies, bread and pies. Supper and dance \$10, Supper only \$7/adults, \$3/children.

Sept. 9, 16 and 23

Swingin' Bears Square Dancing Classes; 6:30 to 7:45, lessons; 7:45 to 9, workshops for various levels (\$4 per person per workshop). Club caller, Ray Hilton of Saco, will be teaching.

FMI: swinginbears.squaredanceme.us.

Wednesday, Sept. 9

Bethel Senior Citizens Meeting/Luncheon; 11 a.m. (doors open at 10:45), Funky Red Barn, Bethel. Menu is prime rib or haddock. Reservations must be made before Sept 1 by calling Arlene Lowell at 824-2877 or Becky Keen at 890-5267 with your choice. Price of dinner is \$13.

Learn About Prostate Cancer; 5:30 to 7 p.m., Harper Conference Center, Ripley Medical Office Building, Norway. Join Graham T. VerLee, MD of Maine Medical Partners Urology for this informative discussion about prostate cancer and current treatment options. There is no cost for this program, but registration is required. FMI/Registration: 743-1562 ext. 6896.

Old Man Luedecke Bethel Celtic Concert; 7 p.m., 75 Main Street, Bethel. Refreshments available by donation. Tickets: \$15. FMI: 824-2027 or www.necelticarts.com. FMI on the performer: <http://oldmanluedecke.ca>.

Sept. 10 and 17

First Aid and CPR; 6 to 10 p.m., Bethel Family Health Center with instructor Jeannine Thornton. CPR includes: adult, child and infant CPR, and obstructed airway. First Aid includes: burns, controlling bleeding, broken bones, poisoning, soft tissue, heat & cold exposure, and bandaging. You will receive 2 year certificates for both First Aid and CPR.

Limit 6. \$50 per person. FMI/Sign-up: <http://sad44.maineadulted.org/> or call 824-2136 ext. 1340.

Thursday, Sept. 10

Adventures in the Amazon Jungle Program; 2 p.m., Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. David Shaw will be telling about his adventures in the Amazon region of Brazil, showing slides and artifacts. This includes working with pastors of Brazilian churches, fishing for piranha, hunting alligators and visiting a water buffalo farm. Come and learn about a totally different way of life. The program is open to the public at no charge and light refreshments will be served.

Bethel Historical Society Annual Meeting; 6:30 p.m. potluck supper, followed by 7:30 p.m. meeting. During the meeting, which is also open to the general public, officers and trustees for 2015-2016 will be elected and the Noll Volunteer Service Award will be presented. Following the "official" ceremonies, folklorist and oral historian Jo Radner of Lovell will present "Yankee Ingenuity," a collection of stories of headstrong and resourceful people.

"Two Worlds: Scherenschnitte, Past and present" Opening Reception; 6:30 p.m., West Paris Library. This is a display of works by artist Clara Lamers, of a traditional folk art with many ethnic variations. FMI: 674-2004.

Birds on a Wire; 7:30 p.m., Brick Church for the Performing Arts, Christian Hill Road, Lovell. Tickets are available at the door: Adults/\$10, children 12 and under, \$5. Refreshments will be served. FMI: www.lovellbrickchurch.org or 925-1500.

Friday, Sept. 11

Harvest Supper; 5 to 6:30 p.m., Lovell UCC, Route 5, Center Lovell. Corned beef, cabbage, beets, carrots, potatoes, turnip, bread, pie, coffee, lemonade. Adults/\$10, kids under 12/\$4.

Saturday, Sept. 12

Yard and Bake Sale; 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Locke's Mills Union Church.

Texas Hold'em Tournament; Doors open at noon, games begin at 1 p.m., Jackson-Silver Post 68, American Legion, 595 Gore Road, Locke's Mills. \$50 buy-in, \$5 license, 50/50, pull tabs, high hand ticket option. Food and beverages available. Air conditioned and spacious. FMI: Ray (875-2375 or 890-3737).

Telstar Class of 1970 45th Reunion; 2 p.m. at the home of

Andre and Flossie Bernier on Sierra Drive in Rumford. Bring a chair, beverage and a dish to share. FMI: Linda Stowell (lstownell@roadrunner.com) or the Berniers (stumpy122550@gmail.com).

Jones Dance Band; 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Old-fashioned dance music. Adults/\$5.

Swingin' Bears Square Dance; 7 to 10 p.m., Oxford Hills Middle School Cafeteria, 100 Pine Street, South Paris. Caller and cuer will be husband/wife team, Kip and Linda Moulton of Scarborough. Admission: \$7 per person, non-dancers invited at no charge. Door prizes, 50/50 drawing. Refreshments will be served.

Sunday, Sept. 13

Yoga with Wendy; 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Crescent Park School Music Room, Bethel. Cultivate health, balance and well-being for your body, mind and spirit with Moderate Kripalu Yoga. Classes are \$12.00 drop-in fee per class. Please bring a yoga mat and blocks if you have them. Instructor: Wendy Youmans.

Sept. 14, 21 and 28 and Oct. 5, 12 and 19

Living Well for Better Health Workshops; 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Harper Conference Center, Ripley Medical Office Building, Norway. Join Robin Green, LSCW and Sharon Nightingale to learn new ways to deal with issues such as fatigue, pain, anxious feelings, sadness or depression. There is no cost for this program, but registration is required. FMI/Registration: 743-1562 ext. 6896.

Monday, Sept. 14

Essentials of College Planning for adults 19 and over; 10 a.m., Western Maine University and Community College Center, South Paris. FMI/Registration: 1-800-281-3703 or <http://meoc.maine.edu>. Free and open to the public.

College Transition Math Class Begins; Mondays and Wednesdays, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., MSAD 44 Adult Education Learning Center. Instructor: Lois Ruff. This 12 week course helps prepare you for the Accuplacer test and for college math. Limit 8. \$60 per person.

FMI/Sign-up: <http://sad44.maineadulted.org/> or call 824-2136 ext. 1340.

Socrates Café; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Waterford Library. Are We Really The Masters Of Our Fate? Moderator: Jim Kearney. Light refreshments and coffee available. FMI call 583-6937.

Tuesday, Sept. 15

Look Good, Feel Better; 6 to 8 p.m., Stephens Memorial Hospital, 181 Main Street, Norway. What is the latest weapon available in the fight against cancer? For women participating in the Look Good, Feel Better program, the weapon of choice is a makeup brush. The program offers support for women experiencing appearance-related side effects of cancer treatment. During each free session - facilitated by licensed cosmetologists who volunteer their time - attendees receive instruction on makeup application and skin care, as well as suggestions for wearing wigs, scarves and other items. All attendees receive a complimentary makeup kit, and participants are never asked to buy anything. Pre-registration required. FMI: PattiAnn Douglas (744-6173).

Thursday, Sept. 17

Self-Publishing Workshop; 6:15 to 8:30 p.m., Norway Memorial Library. Jane Karker, owner and president of Maine Authors Publishing & Cooperative and Custom Museum Publishing, Inc., will address ways to affordably produce, publish, and market books for self-published authors. This workshop will outline some of the options, both traditional and nontraditional, including what is offered locally. Participants will find out how to get the technical assistance they need and about the many types of organizations, printers, and publishers that work with Maine authors. FMI/Registration: 743-5309 or www.norway.lib.me.us.

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Puzzles4Kids

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CODED RIDDLE

Change each letter to the one that comes immediately BEFORE it in the alphabet to find a riddle and its answer.

Here's a copy of the alphabet to guide you:

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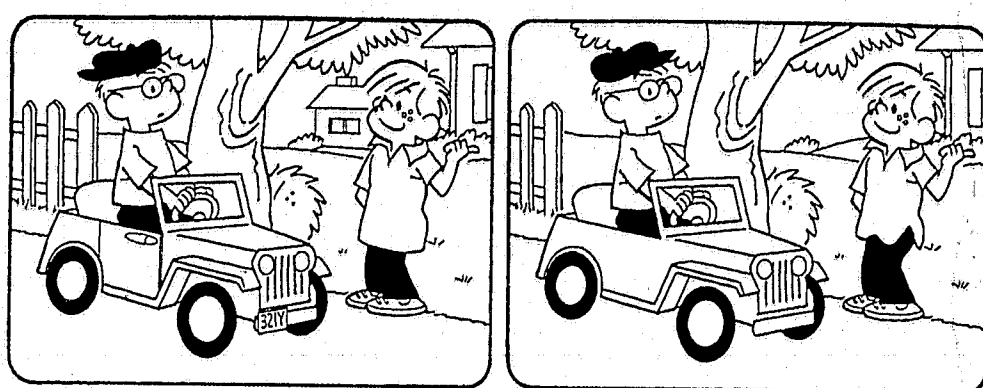
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:
1. Fence is shorter. 2. Cap is reversed. 3. Car door is missing. 4. House is missing. 5. License plate is missing. 6. Shirt is different.

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: X equals T

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QWYZ TS XNA QTWX, VTKUJ

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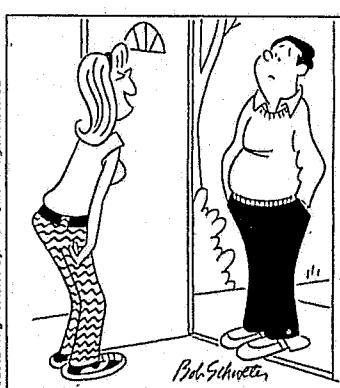
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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

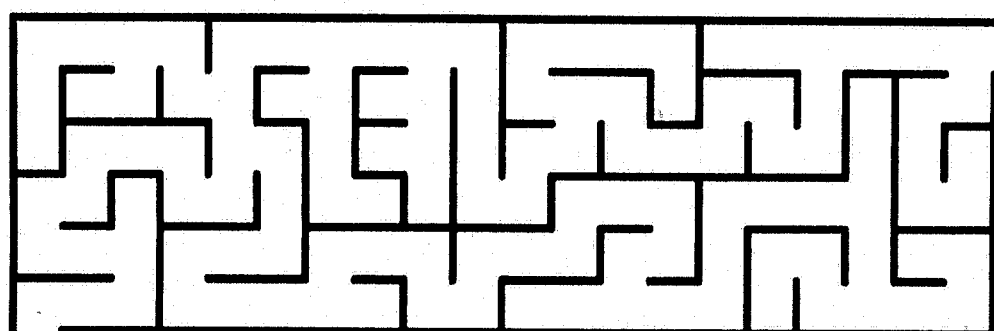
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TODAY'S WORD



"My father says you can stay, but your father has to go!"

Kids' Maze

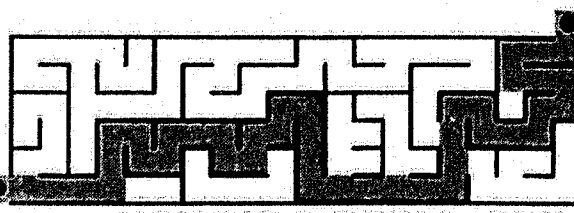
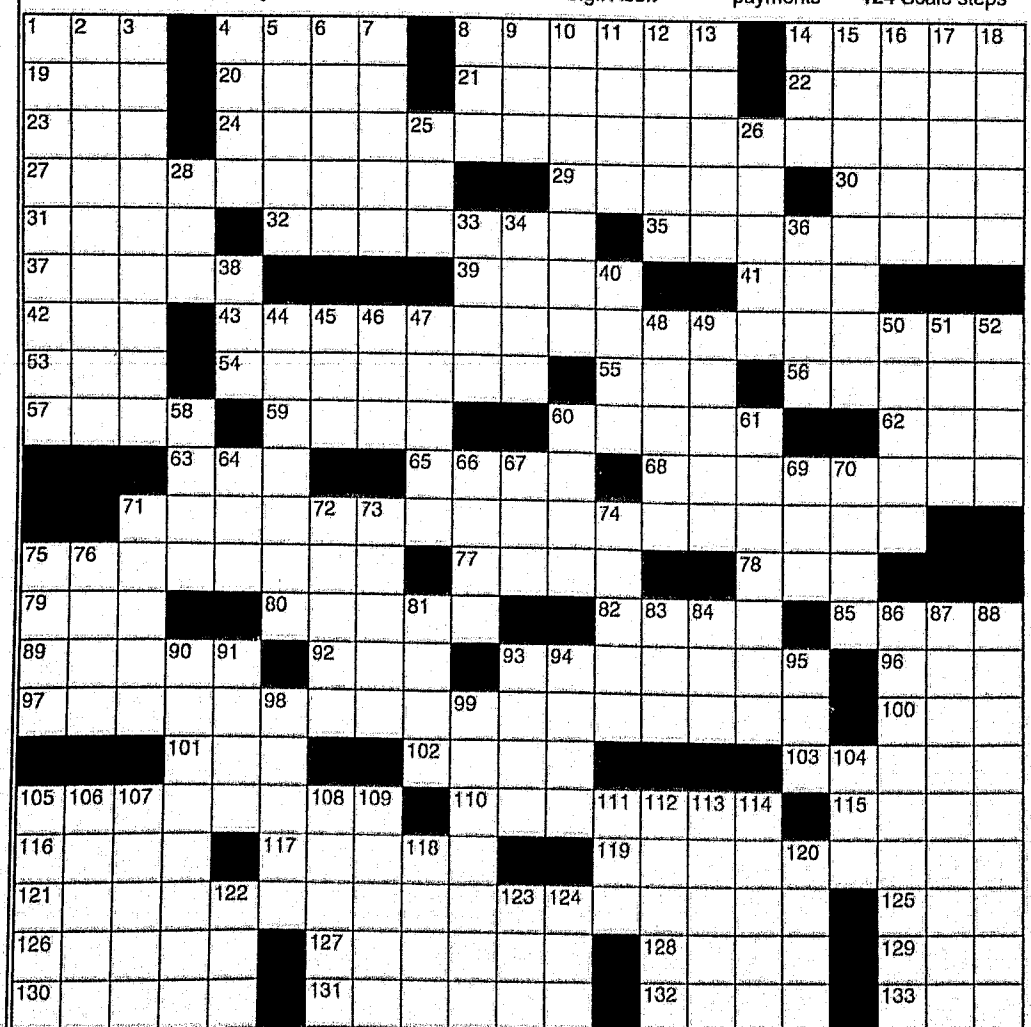


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Super Crossword

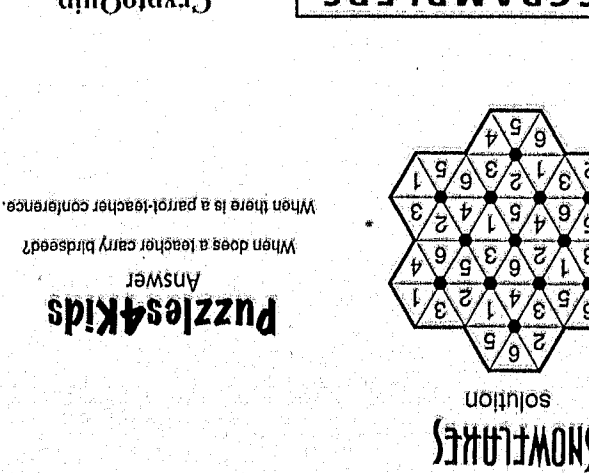
FELINE FINDER

- ACROSS
- 1 To's counterpart
 - 4 Nukes and the like
 - 8 Ball club's leading hitter
 - 14 Writer — Lee Masters
 - 19 Carrou of "Sweeney Todd"
 - 20 Prefix with sol or space
 - 21 From scratch
 - 22 Society peon
 - 23 OR hookups
 - 24 Start of a riddle
 - 27 Riddle, part 2
 - 29 Model Campbell
 - 30 Caesar's "I came"
 - 31 Architect's drawing
 - 32 To the extent that
 - 35 In chains
 - 37 Reddish-orange dye
 - 39 Gilbert and Sullivan's "When I Was —"
 - 41 LI times two
 - 42 Like 1, 3 or 5
 - 43 Riddle, part 3
 - 53 Ballpoint tip
 - 54 Pants length measures
 - 55 1040EZ pro
 - 56 — Martin (car make)
 - 57 "Exile" New Age singer
 - 59 State, in Nice
 - 60 It spins to let people in
 - 62 Geller of mentalism
 - 63 Pas'
 - 65 Slippery like a fish
 - 68 Toyed (with)
 - 71 Riddle, part 4
 - 75 "Diff'rent Strokes" family name
 - 77 Plow pullers
 - 78 Hustled
 - 79 Long groove
 - 80 Model Cheryl
 - 82 Actress Thompson
 - 85 Taste tests
 - 89 Result
 - 92 Gobbled
 - 93 Leaves stranded
 - 96 Backwoods "uh-uh"
 - 97 End of the riddle
 - 100 Punk/folk singer DiFranco
 - 101 Org. with bag
 - 102 Ditty
 - 103 President Garfield's middle name
 - 105 Architecture, painting, etc.
 - 110 Coffee shop worker
 - 115 Hugging pair
 - 116 — about (close to)
 - 117 Rub down
 - 119 Start of the riddle's answer
 - 121 End of the riddle's answer
 - 125 Pacific tuna
 - 126 Part of TWVA
 - 127 Gas in crude petroleum
 - 128 Lyricist Ebb
 - 129 Squeal
 - 130 Troop's drill leader
 - 131 Passes out
 - 132 Banks on many covers
 - 133 Holy ones: Abbr.
 - 134 "Oh, woe!"
 - 135 — knot (finish facing up)
 - 138 He fought Foreman
 - 140 Webster's, e.g.: Abbr.
 - 141 Not recurring
 - 145 Fast jet retired in '03
 - 146 No-calorie drink
 - 147 No-calorie drink
 - 148 Pointy-eared, stocky dog
 - 149 Actress Shire
 - 150 Take — for the better
 - 151 Additional
 - 152 Oklahoma city
 - 158 Like most car radios
 - 160 New Year's song word
 - 161 Race hopeful
 - 164 Bread-filled dispenser
 - 166 Braggarts' problems
 - 167 Not careful
 - 169 Rondo or Rio
 - 170 Millennia
 - 171 One-up
 - 172 '40s computer
 - 173 — Billy Joe
 - 174 Slow to react
 - 175 Three, in on a meat stamp
 - 176 Ladder piece
 - 181 British fellow
 - 183 Do the lawn
 - 184 Me, in Paro
 - 186 Behind on payments
 - 187 Jipijapa-leaf headwear
 - 188 Bikinis, e.g.
 - 190 Pronouncing
 - 191 Tuscan city
 - 193 "Every — king"
 - 194 PC brand
 - 195 "— Na Na"
 - 198 Bust officers
 - 199 Bundt cake vessel
 - 104 Beer offerer
 - 105 Pays, as the bill
 - 106 Start for red or structure
 - 107 Six-time All-Star
 - 108 Robber
 - 109 Annual toy toler
 - 111 "Every dog has — day"
 - 112 Reposition
 - 113 Crying
 - 114 Al Capp's "LI" guy
 - 118 J predecessors
 - 120 Abbr.
 - 121 On a meat stamp
 - 122 Seattle-to-L.A. dir.
 - 123 Suffix with exist or insist
 - 124 Scale steps

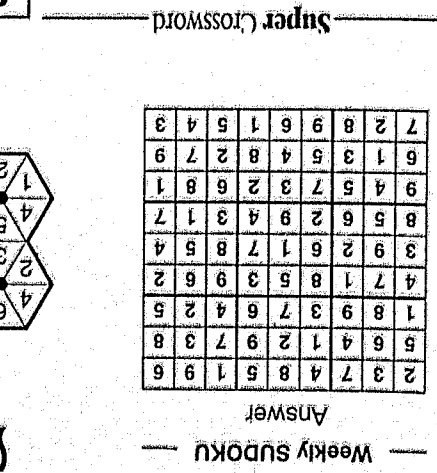
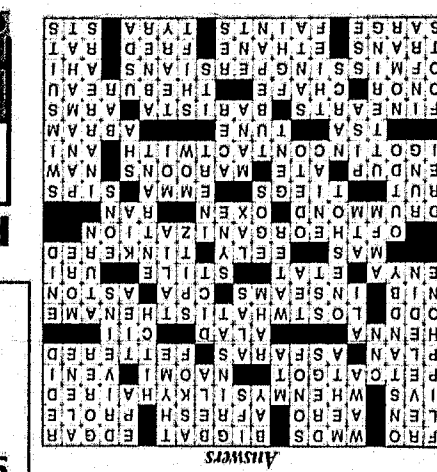


Kids' Maze Solution

SCRAMBLERS
Today's Word
1. Glance; 2. Spite; 3. Detract; 4. Respect
solution
If a deck hand is cautioning someone from the back of the boat, would that be a stern warning?
answer
Cryptoquip



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ROTARY HOSTS THS STUDENTS-A group of Telstar students attended a recent Bethel Rotary Club meeting to share their positive experiences at RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards), held at Camp Hines this past June. They shared how the experience changes their lives for the positive. Pictured are: Willis Steven, Dharma Damon (Interact Club member), Kellen True, Sierra Ryerson, Avry Griffin and Austin Bear (Interact Club member). Also attending RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) but not pictured were Elijah Laird and Taylor Merrill.

Submitted photo



NEW GOULD STAFF MEMBERS-Gould Academy started its 180th year of school on Monday with the arrival of new students. Returning students join everyone today (Thursday). New staff members include Deborah Menezes, Human Resources; Casey Butler, Development; Kathy Doyon, Academic Skills Program; Jin Greene, Health Center; Alexandra Waldron, English Department; Cathy Fisher, Gould Academy Competition Program; Haze Liff, World Language; Ben Liff, World Language; and T.J. Whipple, Mathematics. Not pictured is Todd Walker who joins Gould Academy Maintenance.

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One or more bidders are expected to be identified at the September 14 meeting of the Board of Selectmen. Contract authorization will occur at the earliest mutual convenience beyond that date.

All contractors shall become familiar with the work and shall rely on their own investigation prior to submitting a bid. The Town Representative will be available to have sites/sites proposed for paving inspected. No consideration will be granted for any alleged misunderstanding of the material to be furnished, the work to be done, or for any defects in the final product that are the result of the absence of pre-inspection of a site.

The Town reserves the right to submit change orders in writing to the Contractor. In that event the Town will negotiate with the Contractor to determine costs. The Town also reserves the right to reject bids in whole or in part at its sole discretion.

It is the Town's intent to complete this work in 2016 in a professional manner with quality results. All work must be done to the satisfaction of Town officials. The Contractor guarantees that the work and materials will be free from defects or flaws and shall be guaranteed for a period of one year from date of completion. The scope of work is applicable. Please contact Mr. Scott Sumner, Public Works Director, at 824-2370 with questions, or if a site visit is required.

Town of Bethel Part-Time Per Diem EMS personnel

The Bethel Ambulance Service is accepting applications for Per-Diem Paramedics, AEMTs and EMTs for 12 hour shifts. The positions include both emergency and non-emergency EMS responsibilities, as well as potential participation in local life safety education and other community outreach programs. The Bethel Ambulance Service provides EMS coverage to the Town of Bethel and several surrounding areas in western Maine.

- Per-Diem day shifts run from 6am to 6pm.
- Compensated on-call night shifts run from 6pm to 6am.

Interested applicants must hold a valid EMS license of EMT or higher. We are currently looking to fill both EMT and Paramedic slots. Applicants must also hold a valid driver's license and have a high school diploma or equivalent.

Interested applicants can submit applications or resumes by September 18, at 5pm, to the Bethel Ambulance Service, PO Box 1660, Bethel, ME 04217, or contact Chief David Hanscom via cell phone at 207-381-7452 or via email at hanscomd@megalink.net.

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Applications may be picked up at the Bethel Town Office, Monday-Friday 8am to 5pm.

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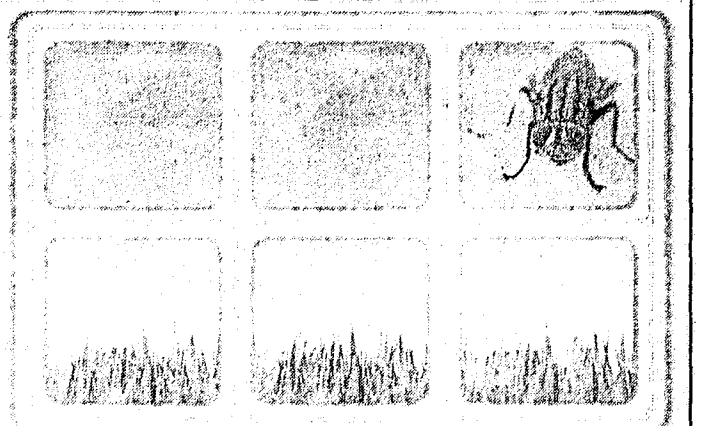
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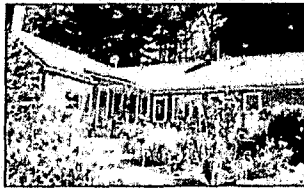
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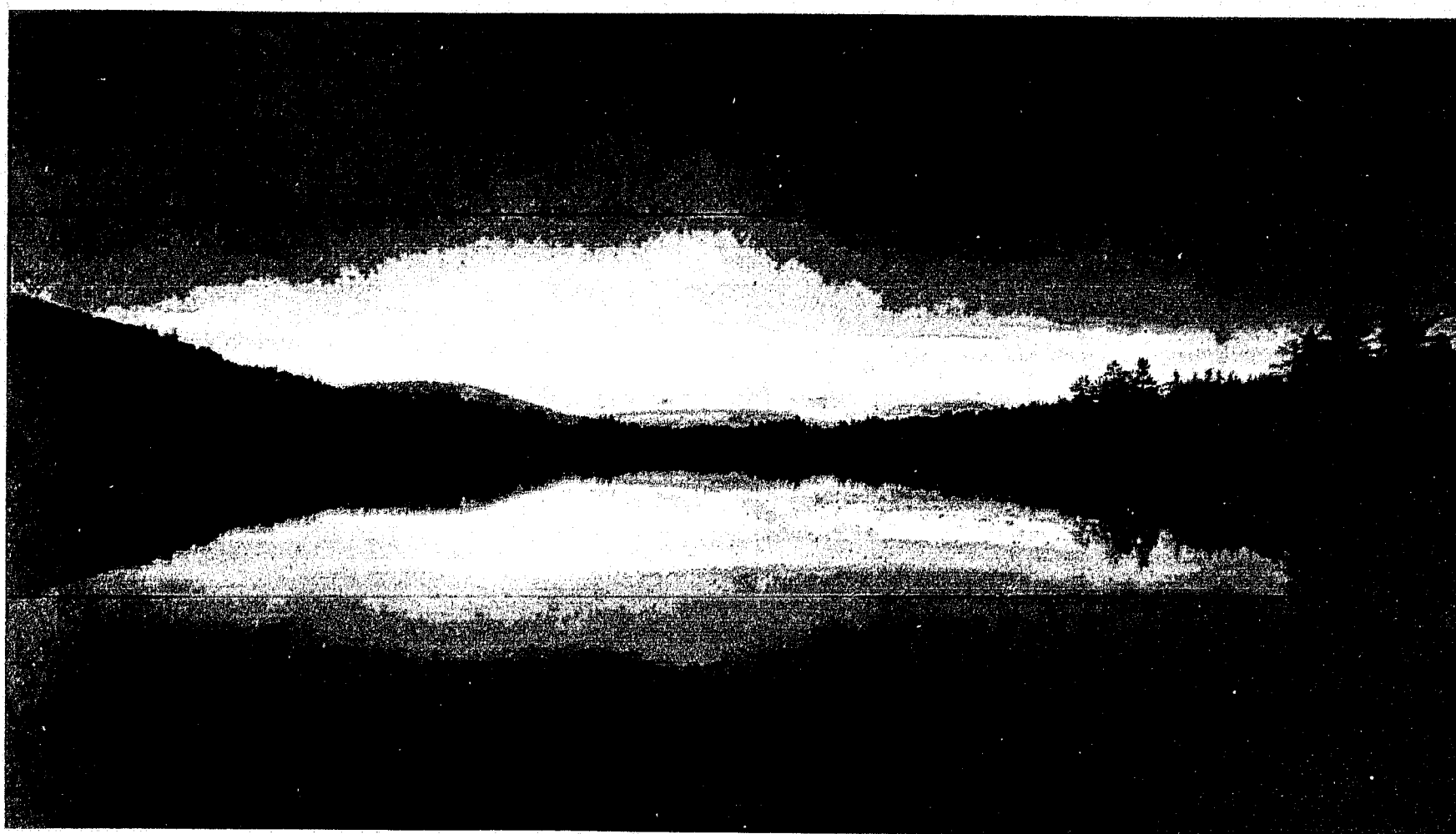
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Lainey Cross of Bethel took this photo of dark clouds over Songo Pond last week.

Journals

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Bethel was positioned to make it a natural switching point for calls in several directions. When the Bell System agreed to connect its lines with those of the independent companies, circuits were built to a point of connection in the Town of Hanover and Rumford became the toll center for Bethel. A toll route was also built from Norway to Bethel and from Bethel to Berlin, New Hampshire, with a point of connection on the state line at Gilead. Normally these circuits were used only for calls which originated or terminated in the Bethel or Upton ex-changes but sometimes bad weather or an accident would change the routine.

In 1938 Al Van died and the operation of the telephone company passed to his eldest son, Eugene (known as "Gene Van, the telephone man"). In the early 1940s the company extended its lines further out of town and the number of parties on each line constantly increased. The former lines continued to exist too; the one which ran over Mt. Abram to Twitchell Pond had 43 subscribers. Ringing codes became incredibly complex, with rings such as "1012" going out as a long, a short, a long, and two shorts. (You really had to pay attention to make sure when your phone rang it was your ring.)

In 1950 tragedy struck the telephone company and the Van family when Gene Van's only son, young Gene, was helping his father by working as a lineman. Working on a line to Locke Mills near today's animal hospital when the line he was holding accidentally came in contact with the power line killing him instantly.

Young Gene Van's death created an immediate change in the future of the Van's telephone company as the only immediate family heir was gone. In 1960 Eugene Van died. In 1962 Louis Van's daughter Judy returned to Bethel with her husband, Don James. He joined the company as an installer/repairman. The telephone department at this time consisted of Clarence Remington, Ernest Perkins, Don James, and Walter Tikander as superintendent. But then in 1965, Walter Tikander died. Having been associated with the company for 20 years, Tikander had become quite knowledgeable about the operation and, with his wife Lucia they were the last members of the Van Den Kerckhoven family to have an active interest in the business.

In 1967 the decision was made to sell the company. On March 1, 1968, the Van Telephone & Telegraph Company was sold to the Continental Telephone System. However, the telephone company business office stayed at Bethel until Feb. 14, 1972, when the records were transferred to the business office at Fryeburg.

* He married Alice French. More reading and photos http://www.thebetheljournals.info/Bethel_Telephone.pdf
Sources: Eleanor Haskin, 'Independent Telephony in New England' courtesy Steve Seames. Numerous editions of Bethel News and Bethel Citizen; photo of the Van Tel and Tel office and home on Elm Street, Randall Bennett, 'An Illustrated History of Bethel Maine,' 1991

Obituaries

JOSEPH TURNER

Joseph James Turner, age 33 of Rumford, passed away Tuesday, Aug. 25, 2015.

He was born in Rumford on Feb. 21, 1982, the son of Timothy Gallant and Sherri Turner, and graduated from Mountain Valley High School. He worked in Production at Gates Formed Fiber.

Joseph was a free spirit who loved being with family, friends and mak-

ing them laugh. Joe loved to fish, hunt, and was a Patriots and Red Sox fan. Joe will be missed by many. "Joe, you will forever be in our hearts, we love you."

Joseph is survived by his mother, Sherri Turner of Bethel; his father, Timothy Gallant and his wife, Melinda of Perkins Township; his brothers, David Charron of Bethel, and Timothy Turner and his fiancé, Jennaca of Gardiner; his sisters, Jessica Chabot

and her husband, Dan of Lewiston, Mary Smith and her husband, Josh of Rumford; step sister Melanie Prescott and her husband, Bery and his nieces and nephews. Joe is now in heaven with his dog, Jacob who meant the world to him.

A private service was held on Aug. 30.

Arrangements are in the care of Chandler Funeral Home and Cremation Service, 37 Vernon Street, Bethel. Condolences can be expressed to the family at www.chandlerfunerals.com.

First Universalist Church of West Paris September Worship Services

We welcome everyone back after our summer break to a very full and enriching worship service schedule. Join us on Sundays from September to June at 9:00 a.m., followed by refreshments, at the First Universalist Church of West Paris where we offer a wide variety of topics that are uplifting and thought-provoking – and often fun. Worship services are provided by The Reverend Fayre Stephenson at least two services per month, guest speakers, and our worship service committee.

Sept. 13: Summer sabbatical will end and the new church year will begin at our traditional Water Communion, a joyous service of ingathering. Those attending will bring a small amount of water from a place that is special to them. At the appointed time during the service, one by one, we'll pour our water into a large bowl. As we add the water, we'll

tell those gathered why the water is special to us; led by The Rev. Fayre Stephenson.

Sept. 20: Beverly Stevens, longtime church member will provide an in-depth description of our beautiful stained glass windows.

Sept. 27: Vocation and Calling led by The Reverend Fayre Stephenson. There isn't a big difference between Webster's definitions of "vocation" and "calling." Traditionally, we might have defined "vocation" as our job or occupation and our "calling" as work we feel compelled to do whether we are paid for it or not. At this service we'll explore the differing ideas of vocation and calling and how affect our lives, our spirits, and the life of our church.

For more information about the church and services, please contact Marta Clements, 674-2143, mcclements96894@roadrunner.com, or Bob Clifford at 674-3442, bobbarlen@megalink.net.

To learn more about Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations, please visit <http://www.uua.org/>.

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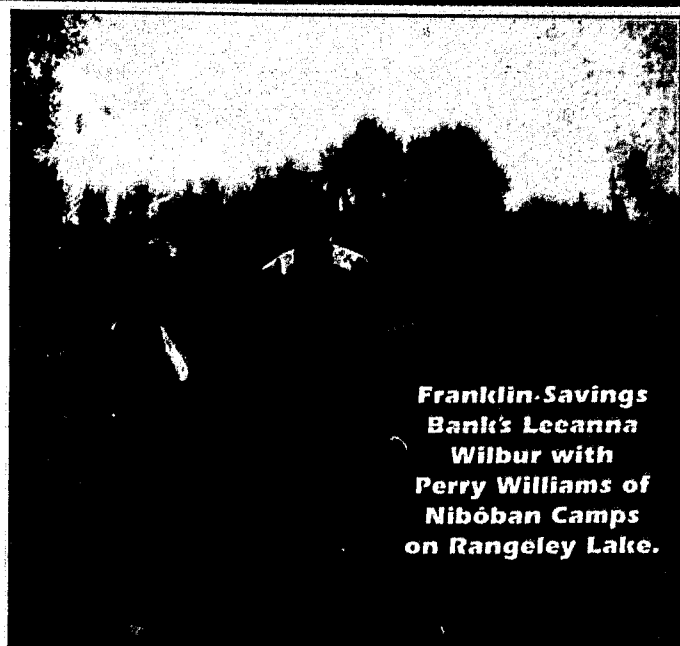
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